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Kaposi's Sarcoma May Not be Caused by AIDS Virus

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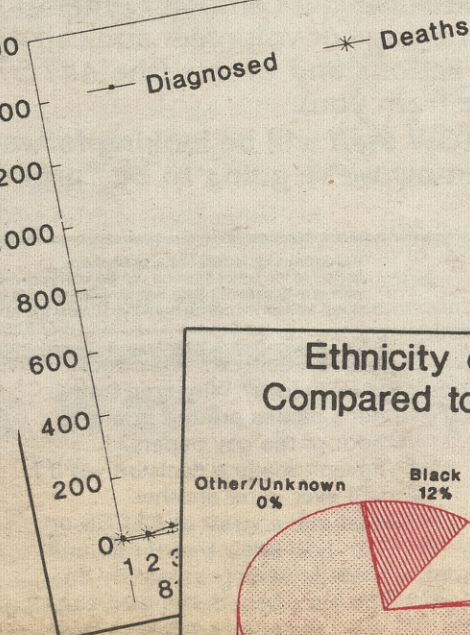
The skin cancer that has been classified thus far as one of the major AIDS disorders may not be due to the HIV virus at all, according to a report recently published in a British medical journal. The study suggests that the disease called Kaposi's sarcoma (KS) may be caused by an unknown infection sexually transmitted primarily among gay, or bisexual men.

The article noted that KS is much more common among gay men with AIDS than among people with AIDS (PWAs) whose disease was caused by contaminated blood. According to the report (co-authored by a noted researchers from the Centers for Disease Control in Bethesda, Maryland), about 15 percent of all PWAs in the United States have KS. Of this number, about 21 percent of gay or bisexual men have KS; fewer than 5 percent who became infected via intravenous drug use have KS; and only 1 percent of hemophiliacs have KS.

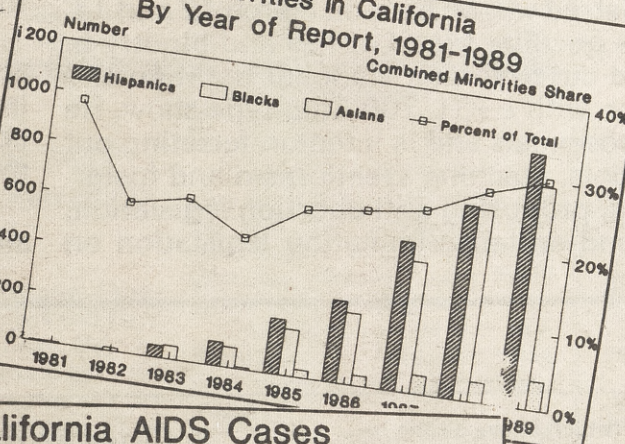
In support of the British report, a New York specialist said he has treated at least eight gay men with KS who show no evidence of being HIV positive.

The KS puzzle has long intrigued researchers. Nine years

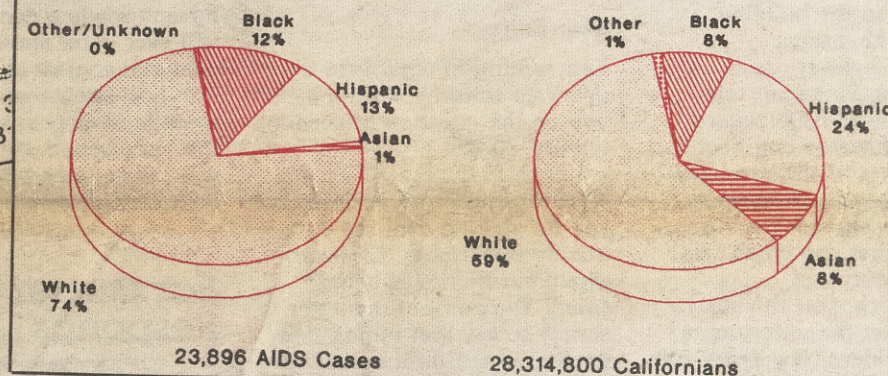
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By Quarter of Diagnosis or Death, 1981-9



Minorities in California
By Year of Report, 1981-1989



Ethnicity of California AIDS Cases
Compared to Total California Population



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ago, the skin cancer was considered the first clue that a person may have AIDS, and many later developed other AIDS disorders such as pneumocystis. But more recently, KS is seen far less often among gay men with AIDS. For example, the incidence of KS among 1340 San Francisco men studied has dropped from 79 percent in 1981 to less than 25 percent in 1989.

To add to the confusion, one San Francisco researcher says he has long believed that KS is not a cancer at all. Its lesions begin at more than one point simultaneously, and they spread much more slowly than the typical, swift, and uncontrolled growth that marks true cancers. In fact, these same lesions are found in kidney transplant patients whose immune systems have been suppressed by drugs in order to prevent organ rejection. When their immune systems return to full function, the lesions tend to disappear.

The presence of KS is listed by the Centers for Disease Control as a defining symptom of AIDS, but the San Francisco researcher said it is not. Rather, he says, it is a condition called vascular hyperplasia, in which small blood vessels multiply rapidly just beneath the skin. He said he treats his KS patients with chemicals and radiation, and other dermatology treatments rather than with anti-virals such as AZT. ■

Violence Against Gays First Order of Business for new "Town Council"

by Jim Walker
OF MGW STAFF

Stories about gay men and lesbians being beaten, kicked, and even knifed, were the alarming theme at what was planned as only a one-time meeting; but before the night was over, both organizers and audience agreed, a permanent "Town Council" was necessary to combat the violence and pursue other concerns within the community. "Someone who works for me left the bar and was heading down the street here... Two black men grabbed him, one held him down and the other kicked him in the face," said Terry Sidie, owner of FACES. The dance bar was the scene of a New Year's Eve tear gas bombing that frightened patrons and forced the evacuation of the establishment.

While the 40-plus audience members at the meeting were pleased that Sidie was present to discuss gay violence, many were angry with the owners of Sacramento's other predominantly gay bars.

"It's great to see Terry (Sidie) here, but where are the others?" said one man.

According to Metropolitan Community Church Reverend Freda Smith, the owners of the other bars were notified of the meeting in "appropriate time."

A motion to send letters to the other bar owners followed. The letters were planned to express "concern" that the owners were not in attendance regarding safety concerns involving their establishments.

Several people noted that while waiting to enter the bar they had been the target of hate calls or even rocks from vehicles passing FACES. Sidie explained the line outside the bar was a result of an occupancy problem.

"The bar had an occupancy maximum of 228 because it was designated a restaurant. The department was out last week and it looks like our building code status is going to change from an M2 to an A1.1" said Sidie. "That would change our status from a restaurant (what the building preceding FACES) to a dance bar and the occupancy limit from 228 to 300 or 400 — that should eliminate the problem with the line out front," continued Sidie. "Twentieth street is not safe alone — even for men. We're telling men to protect themselves in the same way women have always been told (to protect) against rape: Travel in twos, carry mace — those types of things," said an audience member. (See "Gay Bashing: What Should You Do" chart in every issue of MGW).

Though violence may be on the rise, the report of gay hate-crimes is not. Many victims do

not report crimes because they have outstanding warrants themselves, they fear discrimination or, as one audience member suggested, they have a psychological chip of guilt.

"There is a real psychological thing that goes with this. Sometimes I think we take this because we feel we somehow deserve it. I remember when I was beaten as a young man — I didn't say anything because I thought I deserved it, being gay and all," said one man.

Although there are obstacles in reporting gay hate-crimes, leaders and audience members at the council meeting stressed the importance of identifying the violence as gay hate.

"Our biggest weapon in this war is being open," said Tim Warford. "When we speak about this, we must identify ourselves as being open."

Still others stressed an alleged lack of police concern about gay community violence stems from the community's lack of aggressive reporting. The attacks must be reported to the police or sheriff.

The only representative of a public agency at the meeting, Loretta Hollis of the Sacramento Human Rights and Fair Housing Commission, emphasized with the shared stories of pain, but reiterated that the violence cannot be stopped without the police being notified.

"We see racial incidents like this all over the city," said Hollis. "If something happens to you, report at the police station — do it in writing, not over the phone," continued Hollis, who also described her department as an "accepting organization."

Another concern of those attending was the lack of a check-off box for gay hate-crimes on Sacramento City Police forms.

"The Sacramento City Police forms do not have a box for gay hate-crimes, the county's do thanks to the efforts of some in this room. I think the first item of business for this group should be getting that added to city police forms," said one woman.

Besides the addition of a box for gay hate-crimes, other suggestions included using the Lambda center as a "reporting center."

Though those at the meeting were noticeably anxious to take action, Smith noted that the gathering was not originally intended to be more than a one-time effort and that a structure would have to be established before any continuing action could be suggested. Smith's request was immediately followed by motions to elect her moderator or president — the title left somewhat ambiguous by unclear nominations.

After Smith was installed, the next motion defined the group as The Gay and Lesbian Town Council.

Although gay violence was the key issue at the evening meeting, there were other items on the agenda including the new agreement by Pacific Bell to list gay and lesbian organizations in the Yellow Pages under the identical specific title.

Co-meeting organizer, Jerry Sloan of the Lambda Community Fund celebrated the new listing. "It will provide a lot of access for people looking for an organization's phone number or address. We get tons of calls on Friday and Saturday nights from people looking for the bars," said Sloan.

The council also voted to contact midtown businesses often frequented by gay men and lesbians, to express concern of anti-gay violence, and to suggest safety measures to be taken by businesses.

Another item on the agenda was planning for the March visit of the Reverend Lou Sheldon of the Traditional Values Coalition, a national anti-gay conservative organization. The TVC is encouraging one of their member to run for State Schools Superintendent. Other goals of the right-wing group include the destruction of the Los Angeles-based Project 10, a program for gay teenagers in high school.

"Hopefully, as we speak to the press (in protest) we can present a unified voice," said Smith.

See Violence on pg. 2

Too Busy? Too Bad!! Get Involved...

For months now MGW has been publishing an editorial in each issue. For the most part those editorials express a point of view which may or may not be complete, cogent or correct. Many of them are published in the hope of starting a dialogue, an exchange of opinions between editors and readers. We have not been successful in that regard.

Letters to the Editor or to individual writers and columnists are always regarded seriously and are a source of interest to the community. They usually provoke some sort of response — laughter, anger, heartfelt thanks. They mean that someone out there is really reading and reacting to this effort.

Now here comes the important part. We don't know how many of you are *really* out there, reading, listening and enjoying, but are just too busy with other things and simply don't bother to write or call your mom — that's okay — except for this time.

This time it's *serious*. The so-called Reverend Lou Sheldon and his homophobic forces of hatred will be here on March 12 and 13. He is not only peddling his peculiar brand of lies and bigotry in California but has branched out to form a national coalition and will probably be on TV soon with a PTL 700 Club-type-show. He has declared "war" on homosexuals and is intent in ferreting out gay teachers in public schools; teaching creationism and fostering prayer in public schools; proposing anti-abortion legislation; and repealing gay rights and anti-discrimination legislation on

local and state levels. He and his rabid fundamentalist followers are intent upon creating "cities of refuge," a thinly disguised euphemism concentration camps, for all HIV positive people where they will receive little medical care to save their bodies, but massive doses of so-called "Christian" indoctrination to save their souls. They are running their own candidates to capture local school board and city council seats all over this state and are fielding candidates with their beliefs to run against school chief William Honig. Quite an agenda.

On March 12 there will be a candlelight vigil and all day on March 13 there will be activities — from passing out pamphlets early in the morning to picketing outside of the hotel where Sheldon's seminar is being held. We are hoping that other embattled groups will join us — African-Americans, women, Hispanics, the Asian and Asian Pacific communities, the Jewish community, Quakers, Unionists and numerous others. However our community has to come out too — to march peacefully but speak up forcefully to say "Hatred and bigotry are not welcome in Sacramento; Hatemongers are not welcome in Sacramento; we will not let you endanger our civil rights and the civil rights of those who stand here with us." You can speak up by volunteering to march, to make signs, pass out posters, and do any of the 1,001 things that need to be done in order to make this effort a success. Please call Lambda Center at 442-5801 or 442-0185 to leave a message or volunteer and call 447-5755 to hear about upcoming actions and events (the 447-5755 line will not record a message from you).

The MGW staff will be looking forward to seeing all of you — and we know we're going to be "proud of our crowd."

—Marghe Richards

MGW WRITE

Bar Owner Defends With Facts

Dear Editor:

I am responding to the letter from Walter F. Mueller. I am very upset to hear unfounded accusations about FACES, considering these facts: 1) FACES has a doorman seven nights a week, and two extra uniformed security on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday and Sunday. What other gay bar in town has any and/or that much security? 2) It only seems strange to advertise in the *Sacramento Bee* if you are still living in the past and want the rest of us to remain there in the closet with you, we just celebrated National Coming Out Day October 11, 1989. I might also add that the Sacramento Bee did the article without any charge and they did a beautiful job. I am very proud of FACES and have no objections to open-minded straight people gathering and enjoying our local friendly gay atmosphere. Mr. Mueller, I do not require my customers to wear a Homo I.D. tag upon entering the premises and I will not discriminate against straight people. Myself and most, if not all, of my customers desire to live in harmony with all people. It may shock you to learn that there is a possibility that one of our own gay people dropped that tear gas as a prank, or out of ignorance. Let's attempt to find out who and why, not unjustifiably point our finger at the straight community. We all need to work together.

This is your second letter to MGW and you are always very critical of FACES. I can't help but wonder if you dislike us so much why you would have even been here on New Year's Eve (the busiest night of the year). From the sound of your letter, I believe that you were probably at home hiding from the rest of the world. In real life the rest of us are out, living, and there are always going to be a few crazies out there trying to hurt us.

Concerning the capacity of FACES, it is now at 271, and by the time you read this I will have raised it to 300 people and still be working downtown to change the building rating

(which I have all the requirements for) to accommodate over 400 people. Capacity is decided by the square feet in the building, divided by 15, minus bathrooms, hallways and storage area. Since our total building is over 7200 square feet, I now have an architect drawing plans to show me how to get the maximum capacity while still being safe for the customers that you claim I do not care about.

If you check, you will also find that after the unfortunate tear gas incident New Year's Eve everyone was safely evacuated from the building with no serious injuries. The evacuation was handled beautifully by FACES' wonderful employees who were very much afraid and just as confused as to what was going on.

Concerning an exit being locked, as I understand it, had been locked after last call and we were closing the building as the incident occurred. That can never happen again as all possible ways of locking that door have been removed.

I wish to remind you that we will not run and hide because some nut wants to hurt us and there is no way to know who, or when an incident like this will take place next.

The bar owners have been asked by me personally to help share in the expenses of hiring two off duty police officers. This I am sure would stop the problem immediately. I have had no response from these owners, with the exception of Bobby (Robert Hoyos) the manager at the Mercantile who offered to pay the bill out of his own pocket.

So you see, a few people in our gay community do care. It is unfortunate that you Mr. Mueller sit back and criticize while the rest of us get out and try to make the gay world a little nicer, a little better place to live. Progress is only achieved by those with vision who stop complaining and start doing. It's possible that if you joined out side the job could become a lot easier and will be achieved a lot sooner.

A proud bar owner,

Terry Sidle

A Question of Accountability

Dear Editor:

I am writing in regards to a previous editorial written by you on the question of accountability. As an employee/volunteer of several AIDS organizations I commend you for sharing with the community our "rights" to know where our money is being spent. The point of my letter is simply to say that I think that we should not limit ourselves as a community to just AIDS organizations and events. In particular I would like to address the issue of "truth" in advertising by FACES. As an artist, I take my work very seriously, be it painting, graphics or more recently costume designing. I commit to each project time, creative thinking/energy, hard work and MONEY. While many of these endeavors are "fun" in their performance for the audience they are in reality a great deal of work for me and expensive. To briefly state my case I will refer to two contests sponsored by FACES (Halloween 1989, New Year's Eve 1989/90). On Halloween night FACES advertised a Best Overall Costume Contest with a \$200 first prize. I won \$100 for my costume and another \$100 prize was given to another costume that I designed. Thus there were two \$100 prizes, not one \$200 prize as advertised. On New Year's Eve FACES advertised a "Come As Your Favorite Disney Character" Costume Contest with \$500 in prizes. There was never any formal contest as advertised! I found out who the winners were (there were only five of us who dressed up) by asking them on the street after the tear gas fiasco. I didn't get the opportunity to ask the winners exactly how much money they had won. The bar manager told me that the contest was going to be at 1 a.m. I never left the bar from 9:30 p.m. till 1:30 a.m. and I never saw any contest. If it was silent judging, why wasn't that included in your advertising? Who won the \$100 in the

balloon contest? Who were your judges? Why aren't winner's names printed in one or both of the gay papers? I haven't made a decision yet if I will ever enter another costume contest at FACES or not. I do know that if I do and there is no accountability on the bar's behalf, the next contest I may enter will be a false advertising lawsuit!

Steven R. Doerr

Bar Owner Responds

Dear Editor:

I am addressing the article from Steve Doerr. I am sorry to hear of his unhappiness with our Halloween contest as his costume or costumes were very good.

Our Halloween ad does state \$200 for best all around. I did emcee the contest, and voting was by audience response, there was a tie between Steve Doerr and Tim Moran so I simply split the prize in an effort to do what was fair. I'm sorry if that doesn't agree with Steve but it seemed the only thing to do at the time. I'm sorry for any confusion.

A total of \$650 was given out in prizes for the Halloween weekend.

In response to our Disney New Year's Eve Party, I advertised \$500 in prizes! the prizes went as follows: 1) \$100 in \$1 bills in the balloons; 2) \$100 in \$5 bills in the balloons; 3) \$100 in \$10 bills in the balloons; 4) one \$100 bill in one balloon; 5) \$100 split between the only four characters in costume that I saw and asked me about the contest.

Empress Stacy, Kerry H., Tommy V., Peter and a few other customers and I spent the day putting the money into the balloons in the front lounge, we ask you to believe it to be truth as New Year's Eve really doesn't require an incentive to come in and \$500 was only for fun and to add a little excitement.

It appeared that on New Year's Eve the interest was to party and the interest in the Disney characters just was not

there. I don't recall the names of the individuals that did come in costume, but if they read this they can come forward and identify themselves. A check for \$100 was cashed by the person representing the group, however.

As far as you wondering why winners' names aren't printed in the papers, perhaps the papers didn't cover either event. Considering the good advertisement aspect, I should use all these contest winners to promote future contests. You have given me a good idea to work from and I thank you.

Terry Sidle, FACES

Editor's Note: We suggested to Terry that he place an ad with MGW after an event to announce the winners and amount raised for charity, etc., etc.

Deadlines:

10th
25th

\$2000 REWARD

Terry Sidle has offered a \$1000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the man who threw a military type tear gas cannister into the FACES bar on New Year's Eve at 1:20 a.m. The Sacramento Bee's Secret Witness has matched that amount bringing the total reward to \$2000.

Anyone who has information on this felony crime should call the private Secret Witness numbers — 442-6221 or the toll-free 800-922-2360. The lines are open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Informants also may write, using instructions in the diagram on the Secret Witness page in the Sacramento Bee. Everyone supply information is guaranteed anonymity, even when collecting a reward. ■

Legislature Back at Work

by Michael Varacalli
OF MGW STAFF

Members of the Legislature returned to work earlier this year for the final year of the two-year session. A variety of issues are still haunting them from 1989. These include Family Planning; fearing his first veto over-ride, Governor Deukmejian allowed a bill to become law without his signature which restores \$20 million to family planning services. The governor had cut \$23 million out of the agency's budget last year in an attempt to cripple counseling which did not meet his conservative, pro-life stance. The majority of his own party, including the Republican

candidate hoping to take over from Deukmejian in 1991, Pete Wilson, reportedly put pressure on the governor to bend to a more moderate position.

Healthcare Accessibility: The Democratic leadership of the Legislature last year confronted the issue of providing affordable healthcare for all Californians. The problem is a major one. Assembly Speaker Willie Brown introduced legislation which would mandate small businesses to provide minimal health coverage. There is also talk of setting up a state-wide system similar to Medi-Cal which would pick up those Californians who cannot get coverage anywhere else.

Reagan Learns About AIDS

by Michael Varacalli
OF MGW STAFF

During his eight years as President, Ronald Reagan's record on confronting the AIDS crisis was dismal at best. Now out of office, Reagan has apparently wised up. He has been doing public service announcements in Southern California urging people to learn about AIDS. "I've learned that all

kinds of people can get AIDS — even children," Reagan says. "You can't catch AIDS from hugging someone."

While AIDS activists would not regard these as sophisticated statements, they do represent a major intellectual leap for the former president.

A Piece of the Wall for Gays

by Lisa Baron
OF MGW STAFF

With the breaking of the Berlin Wall comes yet another breakthrough. On February 3, a 40-year silence on the fate of thousands of homosexuals slaughtered during the Nazi Third Reich was broken, as East German historian Guenter Grau told the Community Party daily *Neues Deutschland*, "This side of Nazi crimes has until today not been touched upon in East Germany."

An estimated 60 percent of homosexuals taken to Nazi concentration labor camps died, said Grau, who has been researching the subject at a Leipzig institute. "We estimate that between 5,000 and 15,000 homosexuals perished," he said.

Although there have been recent attacks on homosexuals by

right-wing extremists, the breaking of the silence has been the impetus for supporting gay awareness. Newspapers are now writing about the homosexual slaughter and books have also been published on the subject. A film about a gay teacher, "Coming Out," has its international premiere at the Berlin Film Festival this month. And according to an article appearing in *Neues Deutschland* headlined "Persecuted, exterminated — forgotten?", a gathering was planned at the former Buchenwald concentration camp to commemorate homosexual victims of the Holocaust.

The government has yet to give financial support to homosexuals, as it has for other people persecuted by Nazis, such as Communists and Jews. But the breaking of the silence is a move in the right direction, and, like the wall, it can only be handled one brick at a time. ■

Republican Right Wing on Its Way Out???

by Michael Varacalli
OF MGW STAFF

On January 30 Democrat Sal Cannella was elected to the Modesto Assembly seat vacated when Gary Condit went to the U.S. Congress. Cannella won by a 53.7 percent margin against conservative Republican Dick Lang.

Democratic state party chair and former Governor Jerry Brown orchestrated the election victory with major participation from organized labor. Using state-of-the-art technology and intensive planning, the Democrats pulled off a major win.

Back in Sacramento the election results caused a backlash against Assembly Republican leader Ross Johnson. Johnson, a

conservative whose faction has controlled the Assembly Republicans for the last five years, was directly challenged by Tom McClintock. McClintock represents the more moderate wing of the party.

The right wing Assembly members are under a lot of pressure these days. Aside from the challenge to Johnson, right-winger John Lewis was indicted for the forgery of Ronald Reagan's signature on a campaign piece last year. He has since been cleared on a technicality, but Attorney General John Van De Kamp has vowed to continue prosecution. Right Wing Assembly members Pat Nolan and Frank Hill are targets of a federal investigation into corruption in the Capital. ■

NCBLG Calls For National Day Of Remembrance February 25

Last year, the National Coalition for Black Lesbians and Gays instituted a National Day of Remembrance for black gay men and lesbians to take place on the last Sunday in February. When Joseph Beam, board member of NCBLG and the founding editor of *Black/Out*, died in December of 1988, the board called for a National Day of Remembrance to honor his life and that of all black gay men and lesbians who have died.

Since that time, our community has lost many more of our friends, lovers and leaders, including lesbian poet Pat Parker and D.C. activist, Lawrence Washington, who served as board member of NCBLG for several years, the last two as co-chair. ■

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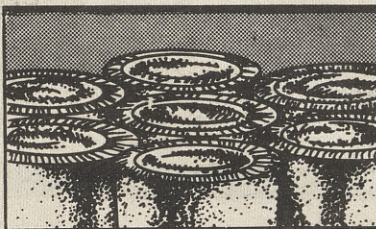
"This man (Lou Sheldon) is fixated on homosexual issues. He has said that homosexual men are 'veritable tropical islands of infectious disease,'" said MGW Editor Marghe Richards.

"I am with you all the way. There is no way in hell I'm going back in the closet," said another woman.

Following several impassioned statements, a motion was carried to establish two autonomous TVC protest committees; one planning for a candlelight vigil, the other for a noontime rally the day of Sheldon's conference (See PROTEST Ad, in this issue).

Since the January 30 full council meeting, the committee's have been meeting to discuss the format and possible speakers for both events.

The next meeting of the full Gay and Lesbian Town Council is scheduled for Thursday, March 1, 7 p.m. at the Lambda Community Center. ■



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AIDS Memorial Quilt Coming to Sacramento

On April 28, 29 and 30, the Sacramento Aid to AIDS organization will be presenting sections of The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt at the Sacramento Community Center. This marks the first time that such a large portion of the quilt will be displayed in Sacramento.

The Sacramento Aid to AIDS organization is encouraging people in Sacramento to remember friends and loved ones by making a panel in their memory. Panels will be collected before the showing and displayed on the last weekend in April. People wishing more information on how to make a memorial panel to be included in the quilt can contact the Quilt Committee at 441-6428 or Box 255773, Sac, CA 95865.



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"Accessible" Modern Music at the Sacramento Symphony

by Karl Greene
OF MGW STAFF

My friends, let me tell you. Britten's *War Requiem* was great earlier this month. Really great. The Sacramento Symphony Orchestra and Chorus brings us music of real stature! As I've said in this space several times before, you don't have to go to San Francisco to hear significant music. You can get that right here from the Sacramento Symphony.

Take, for example, the concert coming up on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 2, 3, and 4. Before the intermission, they're going to give us a new composition by a contemporary San Francisco composer and a Schumann piano concerto played by a winner at the Van Cliburn competition in Fort Worth. After the intermission, they're offering one of the great warhorses of all time — Brahms' *Symphony No. 1*!

Notwithstanding my enthusiasm for the Sacramento Symphony, I'll admit this won't be The Cleveland Orchestra or the Berlin Philharmonic playing Brahms. But, on the other hand, it's a fine orchestra and you'll like it. Guaranteed!

So, let's take a look at the program. David Carlson, composer of the first piece of music in the show, is the new composer-in-residence with the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra. He studied composition right here in California and his work is primarily tonal. Yes, he uses the 12-tone scale a little, but his work is essentially "tuneful", even "pretty, music. In fact, he's considered one of the "Neo-Romantic" composers.

This piece is called *Rhapsodies for Orchestra*. Carlson wrote this when a woman friend of his died at the age of 34. He wrote this piece in about a week. Shades of Handel! Here's how it got to SF: The former composer-in-residence at the SF Symphony was Charles Wuorinen. Somehow or other, he heard a tape of one of Carlson's earlier works. He liked what he heard, so he called Carlson and asked him to write a brand new piece for the San Francisco Symphony. That's the composition we're going to hear the Sacramento Symphony play early in March.

"Don't be afraid of it simply because it's 'modern music.'"

says Carter Nice, Sacramento Symphony Music Director. "Please come to the concert with an open mind," he adds. Obviously, he thinks we'll like it. I'll bet he's right!

Since first being played in San Francisco in November of '87, the piece has been performed by Sinfoni Hradec Kralove in Prague, the National Symphony in Washington, DC and The Philadelphia Orchestra. The San Francisco Symphony performed *Rhapsodies* again this past December and has taken the work on its West Coast tour this month.

Here's what Robert Commanday said in the *San Francisco Chronicle*: "It's in the romantic tradition, chromatic and effusive, scored for an ensemble that Strauss might have used, with celesta, harp, piano, gongs and various cymbals added to a small orchestra of conventional makeup ... The music has melodic urgency and definite expressive character, and it sounds handsome and sonorous, grateful to play and to hear."

Here's what Timothy Pfaff said in the *San Francisco Examiner*: "... a beautiful, immediately accessible work" ... the key to *Rhapsodies* indisputable success ... is its strength and clarity of feeling — its unapologetic, if not entirely heart-on-sleeve, assertion of readily identifiable feelings. One hardly had to read that the death of a friend gave rise to the piece."

Carlson, the composer of this work, now lives in San Francisco, but he was born in Ventura in 1952. We're talking "local," compared to Brahms and Beethoven.

After the intermission, we get to hear Brahms' First Symphony. This is the one he completed in 1874, although he began work on it twenty years earlier and had spent seven years completing the first movement!

In finding his own orchestral voice, Brahms had to swim against the tide of his day. Berlioz and Wagner had set the agenda for decades to come in their exploration of color and texture. But, Brahms required from his orchestra a lucidity of line and a sober concentration of timbre that keeps the ear focused on the details of his musical argument. Come to the Sacramento Symphony concert on March 2, 3 or 4 to hear it. Call 649-0200 for tickets. ■

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You'll find among the pages of this book kisses of every imaginable type: a mother's kiss and a lover's kiss, a stolen kiss, a kiss hello and a kiss goodbye, even a smooch for a pooch. The photographs include the classic



kisses of Eisenstaedt's soldier and nurse in Times Square, and Doisneau's young couple on the streets of Paris, along with images by Garry Winogrand, Elliot Erwitt, Mary Ellen Mark, and many other photographers, both young and old.

A Kiss is Just a Kiss is based on a photography exhibit, curated by the Bruce Velick Gallery, which has traveled to major cities in the United States. Proceeds from the exhibit have gone to benefit AIDS research, and Bruce Velick will be donating a portion of his book royalties to the same cause.

Published just in time for Valentines Day, *A Kiss is Just a Kiss*, is an endearing and eye-catching tribute to our most affectionate form of communication.

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RCDC's Invitation: "Come, Talk with Us"



The River City Democratic Club will hold an open forum on Sat., March 3, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at The Attic Feed & Fuel (formerly "Partners"), 2676 24th St. at 2nd Ave. near DMV headquarters. Lunch will be served at no charge to all who attend.

RCDC is presenting the forum, called "Talk With Us," to solicit a variety of opinions from a wide spectrum of the gay and lesbian community on the club's role in the community and its future activities. "You don't have to be a member of RCDC to attend this forum," said Karl Greene, club president. "In fact, we encourage everyone, especially women, to come and speak his or her mind."

The River City Democratic Club is the only gay and lesbian group in the Sacramento area specifically organized for political action. "Our purpose is to improve the lives of gays and lesbians through participation in the Democratic Party," said Greene. "If you recognize that political action is valuable for the gay community, we invite you to our open forum on March 3," he added. For more information, readers of **MGW** may call Greene at 927-2029. ■

MGW PALATE

Uptown Restaurant Downtown

by Bill Gingrich
OF MGW STAFF

Hardly anyone knows it as the "J Street Foundry", for which it was originally built back in the 1800s at 1406 J Street. Owners and brothers Gilbert and Martin Lagunas now occupy the space and call it "For Friends Only." Sand-casting pits and iron melting pots have long gone and now a kitchen and dining room with all of the appropriate accompaniments have inherited the space.

The original brick exterior walls remain, establishing the basic element of the color scheme. Mauve, white, brass, and light oak complete the design colors. Brass and wicker chairs have padded seats. Along one long wall is a fixed bench with striped material in complimentary colors. The original roof with wooden timber trusses and skylights far above given an openness to the ambience. All of this combines to establish a feeling of comfort and freedom.

A relaxed and casual atmosphere is dominant during the breakfast hours. Although the menu appears quite traditional, the items are rather special. Fried country potatoes are standard faire. A specialty omelette with chorizo, salsa, tortilla is very good. Link sausages are spicy but not too hot. A variety of coffees are offered. All items except the omelette are under \$5.

Three salads, two entrees, five sandwiches and a soup of the day constitute the lunch menu. All sandwiches are specialized standards. The chicken sandwich, for instance, is made from grilled chicken breast, include a Jalapeno mayonnaise and is served on a french roll with fries. The tuna salad is served in a pita bread with fries. The two entrees are meatloaf served in the traditional American way with mashed potatoes, brown gravy and vegetables and the chicken mole

is broiled with rice, black beans and tortilla. Prices for lunch are reasonable with beverage extra, of course.

Desserts are exceptional and baked in-house. The Creme Brulee is simply wonderful. Desserts are offered at both lunch and dinner.

Dinner is ala carte. Five pastas and seven specialties are listed with a fresh fish of the day or prawn saute with a choice of three different methods of saute. A New York sirloin and double French Cut Lamb Chops are available. The most unique element of the dinner menu is the willingness of the kitchen personnel to alter the cooking to your pleasure whenever possible. Prices from from \$6.25 for one of the pastas to \$18.95 for the two lamb orders. Of course, the desserts are again offered, and I assure you, they are worth mentioning twice.

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Boise, Idaho — Lesbians have always been the vanguard of feminist politics and crusades for social justice.

But they also lead the field in many professions — from such disparate ones as tennis to poetry.

Consider contemporary superstars.

Champ Martina Navratilova holds the distinction of being one of the top women tennis players today.

In 1982, she set a record by winning over \$1 million in tennis that year.

She has taken the Women's Single Championship at Wimbledon eight times; the U.S. Open four times and the Australian Open three times.

She also ranks as the leading doubles player.

Early in her career, world-renowned poet Adrienne Rich was chosen for the prestigious Yale Younger Poets series — one of the first women to receive this honor.

She has since racked up many important awards including two Guggenheim Fellowships, a grant from the National Institute of Arts and Letters — and an Amy Lowell Traveling Fellowship, named for the famous early 20th century lesbian poet.

And these are just two of the many lesbians who have broken records or new ground in the fields.

In researching my latest book, *Lesbian Lists*, I discovered that contemporary lesbians aren't the only superstars.

Many lesbians — who have either been forgotten or had their lesbianism suppressed by historians — were on the cutting edge of their time.

Come with me on a journey down this almost forgotten path and meet the many lesbian superstars of yesteryear.

*Scientists...

Sonya Kovalevsky b. 1850: Although she had to study privately because women were not allowed to attend college, Kovalevsky eventually became a professor at the University of Stockholm.

She is best known today for inventing the theorem of differential equations called the Cauchy-Kovalevsky theorem.

*Doctors...

James Miranda Barry c. 1795: Barry was not only the first woman to become a doctor in England but probably the first person to become a medical student in their teens.

She also was one of the first Western doctors to advocate preventive medicine.

Like many women of the day who wanted to practice "male" professions, Barry donned traditional male attire at an early age and passed as a man most of her life.

*Explorers...

Lady Hester Stanhope b. 1776: Stanhope was the first European — man or woman — to visit many North African and the Middle Eastern tribes in the early 19th century.

For many years, she received a stipend from the British government for her study of unknown people and places.

*Journalists...

Lorena Hickok, b. 1893: At Franklin D. Roosevelt's request, Hickok investigated the effects of the 1930s depression on family life.

Her moving accounts detailed the specific effects of massive poverty not just in economic but also in emotional and psychological terms.

Many give credit to her reports — which conveyed the breadth as well as the depth of the Great Depression — for convincing FDR to implement the New Deal. The program instituted such measures as unemployment insurance, retirement, disability and death benefits. Along with

the public works projects, these reforms helped bring the U.S. out of its dire economic state.

*Scholars...

M. Carey Thomas: Thomas is credited with creating the world-famous medical college at Johns Hopkins University — and insisting that women be admitted to the school.

She also was the first woman president of Bryn Mawr College as well as the first woman to attend the Universities of Leipzig and Zurich.

*Political Activists...

Susan B. Anthony, b. 1820: Most people know that Susan B. Anthony was one of the most influential women of turn-of-the-century U.S.

Lesbians: Superstars Today and Yesterday

by Dell Richards

OF MGW STAFF

7 Lesbian Entrepreneurs, Explorers, and Athletes

1. LADY HESTER STANHOPE, b. 1776, England

Called "the last of the English eccentrics," Stanhope was the first British citizen to visit many tribes in North Africa and the Middle East in the early nineteenth century. She spent some years with a much younger man but refused to marry him and took up with Elizabeth Williams instead.

A transvestite in her later years, she claimed that she began wearing men's clothing when she lost her luggage. She eventually bought a convent in Lebanon where she offered refuge to local political prisoners. For many years, she received a government pension courtesy of her uncle, Prime Minister William Pitt the Younger. When it ended, she became a recluse, walled herself up in her convent, and died penniless.

2. ANN BANCROFT, contemporary, U.S.

In 1986, Bancroft became the first woman and the first lesbian to reach the North Pole. In the past, she taught physical education but now works with an organization that takes disabled people on wilderness trips. Bancroft was one of *Ms. Magazine's* women of the year.

3. LULU, early twentieth century, France

"Lulu," as she has come down to us, owned the most famous gay bar of Paris in the 1930s, the *Monocle*. Her life is detailed in *The Secret Paris of the Thirties*, by Brassai.

4. SALLY EDWARDS, contemporary, U.S.

An entrepreneur and athlete, Edwards co-founded Fleet Feet, Inc., a company that sells sporting goods, in 1975. Twelve years later, the chain spanned twenty-seven stores and grossed nearly ten million.

Edwards also runs marathons regularly and holds the world record for the women's master's division of the Ironman triathlon.

5. & 6. CONNIE BEST and SOPHIA COLLIER, contemporary, U.S.

These two lesbians founded Soho Sodas, which sells natural sodas and mineral waters, in 1977. Today, their product is distributed worldwide.

7. MARTINA NAVRATILOVA, contemporary, Czechoslovakia

A world-famous tennis champion, Navratilova defected to the U.S. during a tennis tour and tells of the harrowing escape in her autobiography, *Martina*.

In the book, she also discusses her relationships with lesbian novelist Rita Mae Brown and transsexual Renée Richards, who has coached her tennis game.

Not so many know that Anthony refused to marry on principle and had romantic relationships with women most of her life.

The founder of the National Women's Suffrage Association, Anthony is one of the few lesbians to have a coin minted in her honor.

*Social Reformers:

Jane Addams, b. 1860: Along with other lesbians such as Lillian Wald, Addams helped start the settlement movement — an early form of social work which got medical and child care, shelter, education and even financial assistance to the working poor of 19th century urban ghettos.

She, too, had strong "romantic friendships" with women and lived, worked and vacationed in an all-female social network.

*Artists...

Mary Edmonla Lewis, b. 1843: A lesbian of Afro-American-Indian heritage, Lewis was one of the first people of color to take the European art world by storm.

Her radical lesbian politics came out in her art, which often used black and Native American women in her paintings to reflect women's struggle to be free.

*Composers...

Dame Ethel Smyth, b. 1858: An ardent suffragist, Smyth was imprisoned for civil disobedience in 1911 — where she bolstered the morale of the other feminist political prisoners by composing "March of the Women."

She was later made a Dame of the British Empire in recognition of her contribution to music.

*Singers...

Ma Rainey, b. 1886: Ma Rainey was one of the female founders of the blues as we know it today.

She also is credited with originating the term "woman-loving woman" for her upfront lesbianism.

*Novelists...

Marie Corelli, b. 1855: Called the "Queen of the Best Sellers," Corelli's wildly romantic novels outsold all other books in turn-of-the-century England.

She wrote nearly 30 best sellers during her career, including her 1886 first, "A Romance of Two Worlds," which was partly autobiographical and started her on the road to fame.

*Poets...

Louise Labe, c. 1524: Labe wrote more than 1,500 poems to another woman, Clemence de Bourges.

Although Labe died in the mid-16th century, her sonnets still are considered the best love poems in French literature.

*Photographers...

Frances Benjamin Johnston, b. 1864: Johnston was one of the first — and still considered one of the finest — American photo-journalists.

She photographed people at all levels of society — from coal miners and sailors to such notables as Susan B. Anthony and lesbian poet, Helen Hay Whitney.

*Military Heroes...

Dr. Mary Edwards Walker, b. 1823: Passing as men, some 400 lesbians and non-gay women fought in the American Civil War.

Dr. Walker was one of the many lesbians who joined the Union Army to fight for her beliefs. She was eventually caught behind Confederate lines, administering to the wounded of both sides.

Although it is often stated that no women have been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, Dr. Walker was accorded this recognition — one of the highest distinctions given for wartime bravery — by President Andrew Johnson in 1866.

*Criminals...

Mary Frith was a highwayman who became rich in 16th century England by leading a band of thieves who robbed aristocrats on the road.

And in a remarkable show of audacity, Frith then set up a pawn shop to sell the stolen merchandise back to her prey.

The term "roaring girl," which was a euphemism for lesbian until the early 20th century, came from the tremendously successful play about Frith.

These women aren't the only lesbians whose intelligence, talent and courage contributed to modern knowledge and culture.

They are just a few of the many outstanding lesbians who were the leading lights of their day.

Lesbian Lists is available at gay, lesbian and feminist bookstores nationwide and from Alyson Publications in Boston. ■

Pet Patter

by Jim Czalowski, D.V.M.
OF MGW STAFF

Is my smoking going to cause my dog any harm?

The debate still continues between the tobacco industry and the medical establishment in regard to second-hand smoke. The dangers involved in breathing in an environment contaminated with smoke fumes is still being researched. At Colorado State University, research has demonstrated that continued exposure to second-hand smoke does increase risk of developing lung cancer in dogs. Their research determined that a dog in a smoking environment is 30 percent more likely to develop lung cancer. However, this is not the only risk with second-hand smoke. In cats and birds especially, this continued exposure to a smoke-filled environment will aggravate or create other respiratory difficulties. Some of the problems include bronchitis, sinusitis, conjunctivitis, and even asthma. These problems, if chronic, can result in permanent damage.

Is surgery the only way to get my dog neutered?

Currently the only way to neuter a male dog or cat is via a surgical castration under a general anaesthesia. However, there is a new injectable neutering agent for dogs and cats that is under investigation at the University of Missouri. The results of this new chemosterilant are so encouraging that the agent should be available for general

use within the next two years. Initial field trials have shown it to be safe, effective, and pain free. It requires a five-minute procedure performed with the animal awake and alert. The drug is injected into a specific area of the testicle and causes a systematic atrophy of the testicles. The result is the same as if the dog or cat had undergone a complete surgical castration.

I vaccinate my dog every year against various diseases. Is there any vaccines for my African Grey parrot?

In the immediate past, vaccines were generally not available for birds. There are now two new vaccines available to protect your pet birds. These vaccines protect against Pacheco's Disease and Psitticine Pox. Pacheco's Disease is a highly fatal liver disease caused by a contagious herpesvirus. Psitticine Pox is a virus that causes oral ulcerations, scabby swellings around eyes and feet, and sometimes pneumonia. Both of the above diseases have no known cure. Prevention is the only way to protect your pet parrot or cockatoo. Vaccination programs to protect your expensive birds against these diseases should be discussed with your veterinarian.

On the animal welfare front:

According to the L.A. Times Magazine, Revlon and Avon have announced that both companies will stop using research animals in product testing. These are the FIRST major cosmetic corporations in the United States to stop

using test animals to check the safety of various make-ups and perfumes. Both companies are confident with alternative research methods to evaluate safety. If interested in other firms that use non-animal testing, please write: Doris Day Animal League, 111 Massachusetts Ave. N.W. Suite 200, Washington, D.C. 20001.

Avian dangers in the household!!

Birds are very sensitive to toxic compounds in even trace amounts. In the past coal miners



used caged canaries to monitor toxic gasses in coal shafts. If toxins levels were rising, the canaries would die first, thus warning the miners to clear the shaft before levels reached human toxic ranges. Today airborne toxins are a significant hazard to the pet bird. One of the deadliest of these silent poisons is derived

from simply cooking with modern non-stick cookware. A synthetic polymer in non-stick cookware (also found in some curling irons, iron board covers, and waffle irons) will emit a toxic fume when heated above 500 degrees. The amount of poison emitted is not high enough to affect humans; however, this toxin is potent enough to kill a bird in as quickly as 15 minutes and as far away as 30 feet. Signs of poisoning include noisy breathing, rocking back and forth on the perch, listlessness, inability to perch, and finally convulsions. But be warned once signs are noted the bird will generally die. So please be especially careful with these products around birds. ■



Dr. Jim is a graduate of the University of Missouri Veterinary School in Columbia. He located in Sacramento in 1985. While he was working at a local veterinary hospital, he met John Clements, an L.V.N. who is now his partner and office manager in their new venture The Pocket South Pet Hospital. He shares his home with "family members" Kirby and Mindy, both Dalmatians. ■

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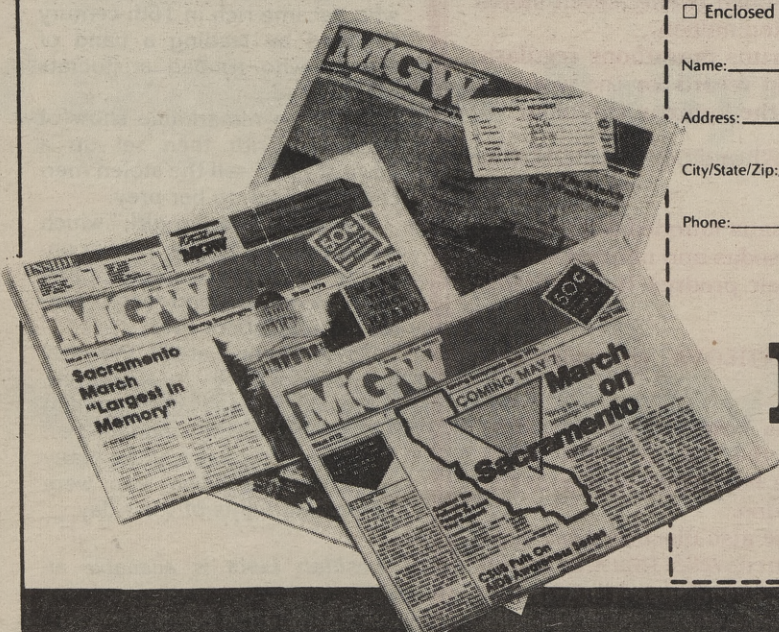
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Low Cost Investing in Stock

by Catherine Whitney, EA
OF MGW STAFF

The purchase of stock can be an expensive transaction, even if you use a discount broker. There are ways to buy stock without paying a commission or for a very low commission.

A great many corporations have a dividend reinvestment plan. You can become a part of this plan by first buying a minimal number of shares from a broker. You may also buy shares of a company from some of the major banks that offer a plan to buy directly from a company. Manufacturers Hanover, Security Pacific, United Jersey Banks and a number of other banks offer such service. When you have the shares of a company, you may then sign up for the dividend reinvestment plan. All of the dividends paid by the company will then be continually invested

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Buying stock in this manner, on a continuing and systematic basis over a period of time, can give you an excellent average cost per share. This investment technique is called "dollar cost averaging," a proven way to pay less for your stock over a period of time.

To get more information about this stock buying opportunity you can purchase a book called **Guide to Dividend Reinvestment Plans**, which lists more than a thousand companies. Send \$24.95 to: Evergreen Enterprises, P.O. Box 763, Laurel, Md. 20707. This paperback book is updated annually.

Another low cost way to accumulate stock is to join an investment club. These clubs usually meet monthly, contribute a small amount of money, and make decisions about which stock they wish to buy. It is a good opportunity to learn more about the evaluation of companies in which you may want to invest. There is a "National Association of Investors Corporation" that gives guidance in setting up clubs and offers study tools and methods to evaluate stock. They also publish a monthly magazine called **Better Investing**. For dues to join the association for an investment club, is \$30 a year, plus \$9 a member.

The address for more information is: National Assn. of Investors Corp., 1515 E. Eleven Mile Road, Royal Oak, Michigan 48067. Locally, there is an investment club for women, called River City Women's Investment Club. For more information, call Whitney & Killick at 486-8985. ■

Settlement Reached in Housing Act Challenging AIDS Discrimination

The American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois (ACLU) announced it has reached a settlement in the federal lawsuit it filed on behalf of Charles Baxter against the City of Belleville, Illinois. The city had tried to prevent Baxter from opening a home for persons with AIDS.

According to John Hammell, Director of the ACLU's AIDS and Civil Liberties Project, the suit was the first in the nation filed under the federal Fair Housing Act to protect people with AIDS. Hammell said, "The resolution of this case should help stop housing discrimination based on

AIDS. It makes clear there is a federal legal remedy for such discrimination, and anyone who commits such discrimination — including government bodies — will have to pay for their actions."

According to the settlement agreement, the city of Belleville will pay Baxter \$29,000, plus his attorney's fees and costs connected with bringing suit. The city also guarantees that Baxter and persons working with him will be allowed to operate the home for persons with HIV infection or AIDS. The city promises to refrain from any interference with Baxter.

The city agreed that a home for persons with AIDS "should be treated like any other residence," and such a home "is likely to benefit the public health and the health of the residents, by ensuring that the residents receive better medical care and psychosocial support..."

The lawsuit arose out of the City of Belleville's refusal in May, 1989 to grant Baxter a permit to open a residence for HIV-infected persons. The ACLU challenged the city's actions as unlawful discrimination under the federal Fair Housing Act and the Fourteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. ■

Company Sued Over Firing

The National Center for Lesbian Rights filed employment discrimination charges on December 15, 1989 in San Francisco Superior Court against the Williams-Sonoma Company.

The National Center's lawsuit, which seeks over \$165,000 in lost wages and other damages, alleges racial and sexual orientation discrimination against two Latina lesbians, Maria Elena Mestayer and Monica Jaquez. Williams-Sonoma fired the pair in late 1988 — only nine days before Christmas and less than 12 hours after the women had attended the annual company holding party as a couple.

After being targeted as a troublemaker for reporting illegal wage practices, Maria Elena Mestayer, along with her lover and co-worker, Monica Jaquez, were fired, and Maria Elena was bodily removed from the Williams-Sonoma office.

Maria Gil de Lamadrid, staff attorney and Director of the Na-

tional Center's new Lesbians of Color Project, commented, "Williams-Sonoma linked Maria Elena and Monica together for all disciplinary actions. They were separated out as lesbians and as a couple. Williams-Sonoma's actions were shrouded with fabricated reasons, but the underlying motivation cannot be mistaken. Our clients' loss of employment was the result of the store's bigotry and homophobia, and cannot be tolerated. Maria Elena and Monica suffered great humiliation and degradation and we intend to hold Williams-Sonoma accountable."

Although Williams-Sonoma maintains that Mestayer and Jaquez were fired for "excessive tardiness," other employees — caucasian and heterosexual — had similar records of tardiness that were tolerated without reprisal. Both Mestayer and Jaquez had good performance records and each had, in fact, recently been promoted. ■

International Clips

by John Hubert
OF MGW STAFF

The International Lesbian and Gay Youth Organization (ILGYO), headquartered in Amsterdam, has opened a Bureau in Washington, D.C., covering the USA, Canada and Mexico.

Bruce Douglas, the Director of the ILGYO North American Bureau, asks that all youth groups and interested individuals contact him at ILGYO; Suite 108; 4410 Massachusetts Ave., N.W.; Washington, DC 20016. ILGYO would appreciate help in updating their mailing list of youth groups, university groups, etc.

WHAT IS ILGYO?

The International Lesbian & Gay Youth Organization is a seven-year-old effort to further the interests of lesbian and gay youth worldwide.

They hold a yearly world conference, the 1989 being held in Copenhagen, Denmark, and publish a quarterly newsletter "Speak Out." The administrative ILGYO Bureau is in Amsterdam where the Dutch ILGYO volunteers busily attend to answering letters, dealing with problems, reading magazines, editing "Speak Out," arranging free PenPals for lesbian and gay youth, publicity, mailings.

The upper age limit for participating in ILGYO activities is 26 years. ILGYO policy gives priority to participation by women, ethnic minorities, participants from Asia, Africa and Latin America and other traditionally oppressed, and or under-represented groups.

ILGYO is presently campaigning to add more memberships in the USA and Canada. "Speak Out" is sent free to lesbian, gay and bisexual youth and student groups worldwide. Others can subscribe for \$10 US (any age) and memberships, including "Speak Out," are \$20 or more. Write to ILGYO, c/o LHJO, P.O. Box 542, 1000 AM Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Send an international money order, American Express.

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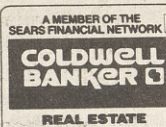
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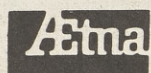
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by Sonya Cox
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Another FDA Approval...

The Food and Drug Administration recently approved the use of fluconazole to battle cryptococcal meningitis and other fungal infections such as candidiasis that chronically affect the mouths and throats of up to 90 percent of people with HIV. The drug should have a significant impact on the treatment of fungus infections, and "should have been approved long ago," says Dr. Sandy Pomerantz of Sacramento. Sold under the name of Diflucan, it is certain to be costly.

Dr. Pomerantz Leaving Sacramento...

Congratulations to Dr. Sandy Pomerantz, one of the founders of the Sacramento AIDS Foundation, and a strong presence in Sacramento's battle against AIDS. Dr. Pomerantz has been selected to lead the Shanti Project in Phoenix, Arizona, and will leave as soon as he and John sell their home. "One day," says Dr. Pomerantz, "we will see the end of this epidemic. Then we will have a celebration of life so bright it will illuminate all corners of our despair." (Boy, will we miss YOU!!!)

DDI...

The ground-breaking parallel track system, in which potent drugs are distributed prior to completion of FDA safety tests, is now giving free DDI to 6,000 people with AIDS who aren't enrolled in official clinical experiments, previously the only way to get it. Manufacturer Bristol-Myers Squibb says the drug has improved the overall condition of about 30 percent of the 800 people in the clinical trials, and seems less toxic than AZT. If you are on DDI or are contemplating starting DDI treatment, have your doctor coordinate with both Bristol-Myers and researchers at the San Francisco Consortium of Physicians so that more data can be analyzed, i.e., how it's working, toxicities, etc.

New on the Horizon — TIBO ...

Belgian scientists say that a single dose of an experimental drug called TIBO appears to block HIV from reproducing, and without serious side effects. The drug is a combination of several potent substances that haven't yet been tested on humans. However, one of the substances in the combination has been tested thus far, with no major side effects to the six healthy men who tried it. The drug sabotages an enzyme called reverse transcriptase, which allows virus reproduction, and does so at levels thousands of times lower than AZT, which may also kill healthy cells.

AZT Earlier...

The FDA has sanctioned use of AZT in earlier stages of HIV, as well as studies to determine the drug's effect on fetuses and children, and if the drug carries any cancer risk. AZT appears to have fewer side effects, and block reproduction of the HIV virus when administered early (around the 500 to 600 T-cell mark). It was previously only distributed at about the 200 T-cell mark because of its toxicity at that stage of the disease.

Sacramento Benefits...

Don't miss the works of artists Robert Hoppe, who recently died of AIDS, and Kerry Sutton. The works of these gifted talents will be shown Friday, Feb. 23, at the Tower Gallery. The black tie event will benefit CARES; \$25 donation at the door; showing from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Congratulations to Robby Becker, director of the recent variety show at the Town House put on by Sacramento's Performing Artists for AIDS-Related Charities. After expenses, nearly \$200 went to the MCC's AIDS Outreach Program. Thank you's also to the performers who donate their time and talent to raise money to fight this disease.

Paul Newman Products...

Actor Paul Newman has given over \$600,000 of the \$7 million profit that his food company made last year to various AIDS groups.

AIDS in Babies...

National Cancer Institute researchers say a natural antibody in a mother's blood, anti-gp120, keeps most babies from being infected with HIV at birth. Those most susceptible are those born prematurely or to a mother without this antibody in her blood.

Babies in Romania...

Researchers are finding that nearly 20 percent of children in Romania have HIV. This incredibly high incidence was a "surprise" to the country's ex-dictator, Nicolae Ceausescu, who has maintained that AIDS does not exist in Romania. The primary reason: reusing syringes on children while giving vaccinations, as there is a severe shortage of sterile needles and syringes in Romanian hospitals.

AIDS in Poland...

A mob of elderly and middle-aged people in Warsaw surrounded a home used as a hospice for five people with AIDS, and causing the evacuation of the residents by the Health Ministry to the ministry itself, where they're camped out in a conference room. There have so far been about 20 AIDS deaths in Poland. The growing hysteria is based on the fact that the country now has about 600 cases of HIV, compared to about 100 cases at this time last year.

School Bill Passed...

The State Assembly passed a bill that would require every California school district to provide HIV prevention classes in grades 7 through 12; pupils whose parents object can be excused. Similar bills have passed in the State Legislature many times, only to be vetoed by Governor Deukmejian. Maybe this year ... maybe next ... Meanwhile, youth at risk continue to get infected.

Thank you to Dr. Sandy Pomerantz for his continuing medical oversight of the information provided on the HIV Newsline page, and to Dr. Elizabeth Harrison for continually providing current medical information for use in this column. ■

HIV Resources

by Sonya Cox
OF MGW STAFF

- 1) HIV Positive Support Group, first and third Wednesday, 8 pm, CARES Clinic, 443-3299.
- 2) Positive Social Support Newsletter, \$7, ARC/AIDS, \$12 others, bimonthly, call PSSN at 442-0185 or 447-5925.
- 3) Emotional and practical support, education on safe sex (Buddy Connection workshops), getting and staying well for those who are HIV-free or HIV-positive, call Sacramento AIDS Foundation, M-F, 9-5, 448-2437.
- 4) AIDS Response Programs (STOP AIDS, Being Alive, other support and education get-togethers), call Lambda Community Center, 442-0185.
- 5) Support for Partners, Family, Friends, Significant Others, Mondays 6-8, Sharon Hartley and Charla Wistos, 454-1655.
- 6) Anonymous testing for HIV, Capitol Health Center, Wednesday and

- Thursday, 8-5, call for appointment, 440-7720.
- 7) Confidential testing and Drug Treatment, Aquarian Effort, call for appointment, 446-6467.
- 8) Bereavement Support Group for family of those who have died of AIDS, Thursday, 7 p.m., Lutheran Church of our Redeemer, call 483-5691.
- 9) MCC People Together, Tuesdays, 7:30-8:30, Metropolitan Community Church, call 454-4762.
- 10) HIV Positives Latino Support Group, every other Monday, 6 p.m., call AIDS Foundation at 448-2437.
- 11) AIDS Foundation Video Tape Library: Over 75 tapes available on various aspects of health care, infections, etc. Call Connie Garver at 448-2437 to arrange for overnight checkout (\$50 deposit required), or to arrange time to drop by Foundation for free viewing.
- 12) HIV Negatives, partner support group, every 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30-9 p.m., Lambda Community Center (2nd floor), 442-0185.

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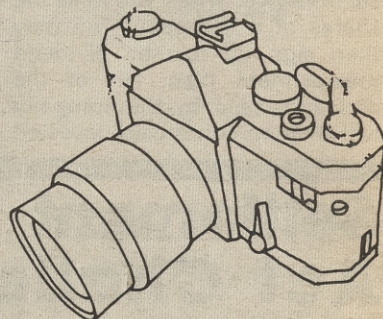
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15 Thursday

- **Gay and Lesbian Outreach**, 8pm, Cable Ch 47.
- **Annual Sports, Boat and RV show**, thru Feb. 19, Cal Expo, 2-9pm (15, 16), 11am-9pm (17, 18). \$5, \$2, 452-6403.
- **Kings vs. L.A. Lakers**, 7:30pm Arco Arena.
- **Being Alive Living Room**, 2-5pm, Lambda Community Center, 442-0185.
- **RSVP Improv Comedy**, see Feb. 22.
- **Sherlock's Last Case**, Garbeau's Dinner Theatre, 8:30pm, Res. req. 985-6361.
- **Sacramento Sports, Boat and RV Show**, Cal Expo, thru Feb. 19, 452-6403.
- **Music Circus Winter Season**, Robert Goulet in Camelot, Sacramento Community Center Theater, 8:30pm, 442-7827.
- **Fido North Gallery** (inside Webber's Bookshop, 2107 P St.) features expressionistic work by an unknown artist thru Mar. 3.

16 Friday

- **Gay and Lesbian Outreach**, 3pm, Cable Ch. 47.
- **Broadway Magic**, music from Broadway musicals of the 50's and 60's; Carmichael Civic Theatre, 5802 Robertson Ave., Carmichael, 8pm, \$9, \$7, seniors, children 12 and under, 489-6880.
- **Camelot**, see Feb. 15.
- **Buddy Connection/90**, men's free safe sex workshop, SAF, 1900 K St, upstairs, Joe 448-2437, 7-9pm.
- **Jazzworks Winter Concert**, choreographed to music of U2; 8pm, 24th Street Theatre, 2791 24th St, Sac, \$8, \$6 students/seniors, \$4 children under 12, 483-4017.
- **COUPLES/ San Diego**, 5th Annual Anniversary Celebration, Bahia Resort Hotel, thru Feb. 18, weekend of celebration for gay and lesbian couples from across the country, (619) 260-0457.

17 Saturday

- **Gay and Lesbian Outreach** Cable Ch. 47, 10am.
- **Broadway Magic**, see Feb. 16.
- **Camelot**, see Feb. 15, 2:30pm, 8:30pm.
- **SACWN Annual Valentine Dance**, 486-8985.
- **Jazzworks Winter Concert**, see Feb. 16.
- **Intrigues Exhibition**, satirical renderings of George Bush and Associates by Salim Yaqub, narrative by Paul Brancato, 1020 10th St, reception 6:30-8:30pm, thru March 10, 447-0132.
- **Michael Himovitz Gallery Exhibition**, recent work by father/son Wayne Thiebaud and Matthew Bult; and Ruth Rippon, 1020 10th St, reception 6:30-8:30pm, thru March 10, 448-8723.
- **Outdoor Adventures of Sacramento**, Sierra Ski Weekend, thru Feb. 19, Stan 441-3285.

18 Sunday

- **River City Metropolitan Community Church**, 7pm, Cable Ch. 63.
- **Sunday Brunch** catered by Jim E's in the Stone Hall, Miners Foundry Cultural Center, 325 Spring St., Nevada City, musical entertainment by Paul Perry, piano. 265-5040 9:30am-1:30pm.
- **Sacramento Area Coalition Against Operation "Rescue"** general meeting, Sacramento, 3-6pm, 443-7876.
- **Crocker Art Gallery**, Concert: Vincent Marloti, piano, Ballroom, 3-4pm, 216 O St., 449-5423.
- **Broadway Magic**, see Feb. 16, 3pm.
- **Dignity Women's Potluck**, 12:30, Marilyn 456-4396.
- **Webbers Bookshop Poetry Series**, Nancy Schoellkopf, John Allen Cann, see Feb. 4.
- **Endowment Fund Concert**, Yolo County Concert Band, Woodland Opera House, \$5, \$3, 666-9617.
- **Camelot**, 2:30pm, 7:30pm, see Feb. 15.

19 Monday

- **Matrix Workshop of Women Artists** Membership Meeting, "The Art of Light and Color" by Susan Sarback, Matrix Gallery, 1725 I St, 7pm, 441-4818.
- **Women's Rap Group**, "Coming Out Stories," Lambda Center, 7-9pm, 442-0185.

20 Tuesday

- **"Ask About AIDS"** — Audience wanted, 7pm, Coloma Center 4623 T St.
- **PFLAG meeting**, St. Marks United Methodist Church, Discussion, 7:30pm, 444-9510.
- **Heart to Heart**, free gay/bi men's support group, 6:30pm, Sacramento AIDS Foundation 1900 K St, upstairs, 448-2437.
- **1990 Sacramento Mardi Gras** begins, Mardi Gras King and Queen crowned, Fat City, Front & J St, Old Sacramento, sponsored by River City Rogues, 6pm.

22 Thursday

- **Gay and Lesbian Outreach**, 8pm, Cable Ch. 47.
- **Ask about AIDS**, People of Color & AIDS, 9pm, Cable Ch. 47.
- **Victor Wong**, veteran film, stage and TV actor reads poetry, and performs theatrical sketches; Melarkey's, 16th & Broadway, 9pm-midnight, \$4.
- **63rd Anniversary** of the opening of Sacramento Memorial Auditorium.
- **Being Alive Living Room**, see Feb. 15.
- **Sacramento Theatre Company**, The Cutting Edge presents "In the Belly of the Beast: Letters from Prison," 8pm, Stage Two, 443-6722.
- **RSVP Improv Comedy**, improvisational acting workshops, Coloma Community Center, 4623 T St., free to watch, \$3 to participate, 7:30-10pm, John Van Hoof, 442-6082.
- **Sherlock's Last Case**, see Feb. 15.
- **Mardi Gras First Night Party**, Frenchy's, 2nd & K St, Old Sacramento, 7:30pm.

23 Friday

- **Gay and Lesbian Outreach**, 3pm, Cable Ch 47
- **Ask About AIDS**, 4pm, Cable Ch. 47.
- **Tamer of Horses**, Chautauqua Playhouse, 8pm, \$9, 5325 Engle Rd, Suite 100, Carmichael, 489-7529.
- **Pillars**, dinner meeting, play "dating game," 6:30pm, Sierra Inn, dancing, \$14-\$16, 455-1771.
- **Broadway Magic**, see Feb. 16.
- **Tamer of Horses**, Chautauqua Playhouse, 5325 Engle Rd, Ste 100, Carm. 489-7259, 8pm.
- **In the Belly of the Beast: Letters from Prison**, see Feb. 22.
- **Sherlock's Last Case**, see Feb. 15.
- **Jazzworks Winter Concert**, see Feb. 16.
- **Black Tie Art Show Fundraiser for CARES**, The Tower Gallery, 1841 El Camino Ave. 6-9pm. Tickets \$25 ea. at Tower Gallery or CARES.

24 Saturday

- **Gay and Lesbian Outreach**, 10am, Cable Ch. 47.
- **Ask About AIDS**, 11am, Cable Ch. 47.
- **Tamer of Horses**, see Feb. 23.
- **Broadway Magic**, see Feb. 16.
- **Meeting for Women Bikers** in 1990 SF Parade, 5pm, Parade Office, 1519 Mission St., SF, (415) 864-3733.
- **Jazzworks winter concert**, 2:30pm & 8pm, see Feb. 16.
- **Mardi Gras Parade**, 2pm, Old Sac, entries, call Ben 722-8747.

25 Sunday

- **River City Metropolitan Community Church**, 7pm, Cable Ch. 63.
- **Sunday brunch at Miner's Foundry**, Nevada City, 9:30-1:30, music by Rolf Jones-Moore, piano, see Feb. 18.
- **Crocker Art Gallery Concert**: Pacific Chamber Players, Ballroom, 3-4pm, 216 O St. 449-5423.
- **River City Rogues Masquerade Ball**, Delta King Riverboat, 6pm, \$10, 443-7815.

26 Monday

- **Being Gay Today**, 10pm, Cable Ch. 47.
- **"Remaking America: New Uses, Old Places,"** Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, University Union Exhibit Lounge, CSUS, thru March 23.
- **Healthy Living Series**, Lesbians Loving Latex: Women's Sexuality in the 90s, SAF, 1900 K St. 7-10pm, 448-2437.
- **Outlook**, lesbian/gay video show, film director, Marc Huestis (Men in Love), NBC game show "3rd Degree" pays tribute to the AIDS quilt, 10:30pm, Cable Ch 47.
- **Women's rap group**, open rap, Lambda Center, 7-9pm, 442-0185.

27 Tuesday

- **Being Gay Today**, 5pm, Cable Ch. 47.
- **The Cherry Orchard** by Anton Chekhov, Preview \$11, Sacramento Theatre Company, 1419 H St., 8pm, 443-6722.
- **Heart to Heart**, see Feb. 20.
- **Outlook**, 5:30pm, see Feb. 26.
- **Women's rap group**, open rap, Lambda Center, 7-9pm, 442-0185.

28 Wednesday

- **The Cherry Orchard**, see Feb. 27.
- **Outlook**, 12:30pm, see Feb. 26.
- **Being Gay Today**, noon, Cable Ch. 47.
- **Ash Wednesday**.
- **The Cherry Orchard** see Feb. 27.

March

1 Thursday

- **Gay and Lesbian Outreach**, 8pm, Cable Ch. 47.
- **"Lesbian Lists"** author Dell Richards speaking at Lioness Books, 2224 J St., followed by book signing.
- **Being Alive Living Room**, drop in social setting for persons with AIDS and HIV disease, refreshments, games, conversation, 2-5pm Lambda Community Center, 1931 L St., 441-0185.
- **The Cherry Orchard** by Anton Chekhov, Preview \$11, Sacramento Theatre Company, 1419 H St., 443-6722, 8pm.
- **Information and Job Faire Rally**, west steps Capitol, noon, sponsored by the California Commission on the Status of Women in celebration of Women's History Month, 445-3173.
- **"Calvalcade of Women,"** Governor's Conference Room, State Capitol, 9-11am.

2 Friday

- **k d lang and the reclines**, Caesars Tahoe, 800-648-3353.
- **Gay and Lesbian Outreach**, 3pm, Cable Ch. 47.
- **"Broadway Magic,"** Carmichael Civic Theatre, 5802 Robertson Ave., Carm., 8pm, \$9, 489-6880.
- **"10 Nights in a Bar Room,"** (a melodious melodrama), Woodland Opera House, 8pm, \$9, \$7, 666-9617.
- **Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All For You**, also The Actors Nightmare; 8pm, 24th Street Theatre, Sierra 2, 2791 24th St., \$10, 443-3188.
- **Tamer of Horses**, Chautauqua Playhouse, 8pm, \$9, 5325 Engle Rd, Suite 100, Carm. 489-7529.
- **Sacramento Symphony**, Christopher O'Reilly, pianist, Community Center Theater, 8pm, 649-0200.
- **The Cherry Orchard**, \$16, see Mar. 1.
- **"The Boys Next Door,"** The Show Below, 2130 L St., 8pm, \$10 Fri. & Sat., \$9 Thur. & Sun., 446-2787.
- **The Blazing Redheads**, Robin Flower and Libby McLaren, Central Food Service Pub, CSUS, 8 & 10:30pm, \$6, \$4.50, 278-7388.

3 Saturday

- **k d lang**, see March 2.
- **Eric Blau: Common Heroes** — Facing a Life-threatening illness, black & white portraits, The Darkroom, 708 57th St., 454-4906, thru Mar. 29. (Reception Mar. 16).
- **Broadway Magic**, see Mar. 2.
- **66th Annual Camellia Show** Flower Arrangement Division, 3-8pm, free, Sacramento Community Convention Center — Exhibition Hall, 1100 14th St.
- **10 Nights in a Bar Room**, see Mar. 2.
- **Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All For You**, see Mar. 2.
- **Conference for Catholic Lesbians** meeting, Kathleen, 362-4133.
- **Tamer of Horses**, see Mar. 2.
- **Sacramento Symphony**, see Mar. 2.
- **The Cherry Orchard**, see Mar. 1.
- **Friends Committee on Legislation** presents Legislative Action Workshop, 10am-3pm, \$5, Education Room, Berkeley Friends Meeting, Walnut and Vine Sts. Berkeley, (916) 443-3734.
- **The Boys Next Door**, see Mar. 2.
- **The Institute for Design and Experimental Art Exhibits: "Building Bridges,"** Cindi Harper, IDEA gallery, 3414 4th Ave., Reception, 7pm, exhibition thru April 14; 452-0949.

4 Sunday

- **Sacramento Area Coalition Against Operation Rescue**, general meeting, 2-5pm, Davis, 443-7876.
- **66th Annual Camellia Show**, 10am-6pm, see Mar. 3.
- **10 Nights in a Bar Room**, 2pm, see Mar. 2.
- **Poetry Series**, Robyn Cota, Kimya Lambert, arthur butler, Webber's Book Shop, 2107 P St., 8pm, \$2 donation, 446-9346.
- **Sacramento Symphony**, 3pm see Mar. 2.
- **The Cherry Orchard**, 2 & 7pm, see Mar. 1.

5 Monday

- **Jamie Anderson**, progressive folksinger, songwriter; 7:30pm, Altazor, Latin American new song, 8pm, Redwood Room, University Union, CSUS, 278-7388.
- **Women's Rap Group**, Lambda Center 7-9pm, 442-0185.

6 Tuesday

- **Life Drawing Class** in Watercolor, by Ellen Van Fleet, 7-9pm, (9 sessions), Matrix Gallery, 1725 I St., \$54 plus models fee; register by Mar. 2, 441-4818.
- **"Women and AIDS,"** 10:20am-11:35am, Forest Suite, University Union, CSUS, 278-7388.

- **"Healing the Inner Child: A Means of Transforming Relationships,"** Kate Guzman, LCSW; Forest Suite, University Union, CSUS, 11:45am-1pm, 278-7388.

7 Wednesday

- **Outdoor Adventures of Sacramento**, monthly potluck/meeting, Stan 441-3285, Rick 441-2236
- **The Cherry Orchard**, 6:30pm, see Mar. 1., \$16.
- **"Chant of the Women of Magdalena,"** readings by Sdiane Bogus, poet, writer, publisher, teacher and scholar, 2-2:50pm, forest Suite, University Union, CSUS, 278-7388.
- **"With an Animal Eye and Feminist Wit: The Feminist-Animal Connection,"** reading by Theresa Corrigan (of Lioness Books), Forest Suite, University Union, CSUS, 7-7:50pm, 278-7388.

8 Thursday

- **Women in History Awards Program**, Sacramento History Center, 101 I St., 449-2057.
- **Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All For You**, see Mar. 2.
- **Being Alive Living Room**, see Mar. 1.
- **The Cherry Orchard**, 8pm, \$16, see Mar. 1.
- **The Boys Next Door**, see Mar. 2.
- **The Dance Brigade**, of "The Nutcracker Sweetie," Redwood Room, University Union, CSUS, 12-12:50pm, 278-7388.
- **"Women in the Military"** open forum discussion group for women in the military, past or present, to exchange experiences and insights from their unique points of view; 7-9pm, Senate Chambers, University Union CSUS, 278-7388.

9 Friday

- **10 Nights in a Bar Room**, see Mar. 2.
- **Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All For You**, see Mar. 2.
- **"The Sty of the Blind Pig,"** Sacramento City Actors Theatre, 8pm, Art Court Theatre, 3835 Freepoint blvd., 449-SCAT.
- **Tamer of Horses**, see Mar. 2.
- **The Cherry Orchard**, 8pm, \$16, see Mar. 1.
- **The Boys Next Door**, see Mar. 2.
- **"The Subject is Breast Cancer,"** a national exhibition and 3 week series of free events documenting women's experiences of mastectomy, radiation, chemotherapy, and reconstruction: performance by Miriam Gray and Video Presentation, 7-9pm, Matrix Gallery, 1725 I St, reception Sunday, March 11, 3-5pm, 441-4818.
- **"Courageous Voices Echoing in Our Lives,"** Sacheen Littlefeather, internationally recognized and respected Indian woman, Redwood Room, University Union, CSUS, 11-11:50am, 278-7388.
- **"Co-Dependency: Breaking the Roles Our Family Taught Us,"** workshop by Deborah Otten, MFCC: Forest Suite, University Union, CSUS, 2-2:50pm, 278-7388.

10 Saturday

- **Capital Flower-Art Designers** present "The Flower Show," 10am-6pm, free, Garden & Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd.
- **10 Nights in a Bar Room**, see Mar. 2.
- **Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All For You**, see Mar. 2.
- **Buddy Connection/90**, men's free safe sex workshop, SAF, 1900 K St, upstairs, 3-5pm, 448-2437.
- **The Sty of the Blind Pig**, see Mar. 9.
- **Tamer of Horses**, see Mar. 2.
- **Expresso Class**, William Glen, 11am-3pm.
- **The Cherry Orchard**, 8pm, \$16, see Mar. 1.
- **Exhibition of small works on canvas**, Jane Goldman, Dito Gallery, 1724 L St., reception 6:30-8:30pm, thru Mar. 30, 441-DITO.
- **The Boys Next Door**, see Mar. 2.

11 Sunday

- **10 Nights in a Bar Room**, 3pm, see Mar. 2.
- **Literary Sunday** afternoon reading, Sacramento Theatre Company actor, Jan Akers Wagner examining the passionate world of Joyce Carol Oates, 2pm, Stage Two, 1419 H St., 446-7501.
- **The Cherry Orchard**, 6:30pm, \$16, 2 & 7pm, see Mar. 1.
- **The Boys Next Door**, 2:30pm, see Mar. 2.
- **"Two Worlds: A Mother-Daughter Exhibition,"** Matrix Members' Gallery, 1725 I St., Reception, 3-5:30pm, exhibition thru Mar. 30, 441-4818.

12 Monday

- **Women's Rap Group**, 7-9pm, Lambda Center, 442-0185.

14 Wednesday

- **The Cherry Orchard**, 6:30pm, \$16, see Mar. 1.

15 Thursday

- **Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All for You**, also The Actors Nightmare; 8pm, 24th Street Theatre, Sierra 2, 2791 24th St., \$10, 443-3188.
- **Healthwatch: Update on HIV Treatments**, Neil Flynn, MD, 7-9pm, Sacramento AIDS Foundation, 1900 K St., 448-2437.
- **Being Alive Living Room**, drop in social setting for persons with AIDS and HIV disease, refreshments, games, conversation, 2-5pm, Lambda Community Center, 1931 L St., 441-0185.
- **"The Cherry Orchard,"** by Anton Chekhov, Sacramento Theatre Company, 1419 H St., 8pm, \$16, 443-6722.
- **"The Boys Next Door,"** The Show Below, 2130 L St., 8pm, \$10 Fri. & Sat., \$9 Thurs. & Sun., 446-2787.

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April

- 22 — SAGA Golf, 10am Haggin Oaks, 443-6440.
- 28 — Names Project Quilt in Sacramento, Convention Center, thru Sun., 441-6428.
- 28 — Nana Blazer Annual Women's Invitation Golf Tournament.

May

- 3 — AIDS, Medicine & Miracles Conference, Clarion Harvest House, Boulder, Colorado, thru May 6, (303) 447-8777.
- 5 — LA's MECLA, 13th Annual Dinner, Filmland Center, keynote speaker, Patricia Schroeder, (213) 658-5765.
- 13 — SAGA Golf, 10am, Bing Maloney, 443-6440.
- 18 — Sacramento Men's Chorus Cabaret thru May 20.
- 19 — Golf Tournament, Benefit Wellspring Women's Center, women & men invited, Haggin Oaks Golf Course, 481-9445 for more info.
- 20 — Sacramento AIDS Walk.
- 26 — SAGA golf, 12:35pm, Haggin Oaks, South Course, 443-6440.
- 25-28 — California Men's Gathering, Saratoga, 739-8132.
- 31 — Coming Out Party/Art Auction, Sacramento AIDS Foundation, 448-2437.

June

- 2 — CAP/PAC Con. Center, Bella Abzug.
- 9 — CAP/PAC Annual Dinner, Radisson Hotel.
- 10 — PAGA golf, San Jose Muni, 443-6440.
- 10 — March for the Animals — Washington DC, (703) 684-0688.
- 15 — Bluegrass Festival, Nevada County Fairgrounds, thru June 17, 662-5691.
- 15 — 14th San Francisco International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival, thru June 24, (415) 861-5245.
- 16 — Lambda Freedom Fair.
- 20 — 6th International Conference on AIDS, San Francisco, thru June 24, (415) 550-0880.
- 24 — SF Gay Pride Parade.
- 28 — National NOW Conference thru July 1, San Francisco.
- 29 — National NOW Conference, San Francisco, Reg. info: NOW, 1000 16th St., NW Ste. 700, Wash DC 20036 Attn. N. Buermeyer, (202) 331-0066, thru July 1.
- 30 — National Day of Mourning for the Right to Privacy.

July

- 28 — 4th Annual Marcel Duchamp Chess Classic, 736-9491.

August

- 4 — Celebration '90: Gay Games III and Cultural Festival, thru Aug. 11, Vancouver, B.C., Canada.

October

- 28 — Olivia Records Caribbean Cruise for Women, thru Nov. 4 (415) 655-0364.

December

- 15 — Snow White Champagne Ball for women, 441-6397.

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David Carlson's works have been performed by such major orchestras as the Philadelphia Orchestra, National Symphony Orchestra, St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, San Francisco Symphony and Santa Fe Symphony; his composition *Rhapsody* (1986) will be performed this spring by the San Francisco Symphony, on a tour of the West Coast. Carlson (b. 1952) is currently at work on his second opera, *The Copper Steps*, about the fall of the Temple of Isis in Rome. ■

Gala Art Show to Benefit CARES

The Tower Gallery will be the place to be on Friday, Feb. 23 for the gala art show opening featuring the works of artists Robert Hoppe and Kerry Sutton.

Hoppe, best known for his art deco renderings of elegant people celebrating in modern architectural settings, died of complications from AIDS this past July. A framed print will be raffled during the evening festivities.

Kerry Sutton, currently residing in Sacramento and working out of the new Lite Rail Gallery on 12th Street, will share the spotlight in the show. Sutton's work is extremely striking and comes alive with color and geometric shapes. Battling AIDS himself, he has entitled his show "I Dream Myself Alive."

The opening will benefit CARES, Center for AIDS Research, Education and Services — Sacramento. All donations, thirty percent of all sales and the proceeds from a silent auction will be donated to CARES. The Sierra Foundation will match monies raised, dollar for dollar, up to \$100,000. The silent auction will feature works of notable Northern California artists. A donation of \$25 per person includes entry to the show, refreshments, entertainment and a raffle ticket for the framed Hoppe print.

Tower Gallery is at 1841 El Camino Ave. (just off Business 80). For further information contact the Gallery at 924-1001. ■

Local Events for Men and Women

Letters Project Holding Auction

The Lambda Letters Project will be presenting the Lambda Auction of 1990 next month. The purpose of the auction is to raise funds to pay the costs of the Lambda Letters Project.

The auction will be held at The Lambda Community Center, 1931 L St. on Sunday, March 11 from 3 to 5 p.m.

There will be a no host bar, and door prizes.

Your help is needed to make this event a success. Bring fun and interesting items to be auctioned. It can be that odd present that your Uncle Harold gave you for Christmas, the latest Tom Cruise or Sigourney Weaver poster, or even your best homemade (or store bought if your not domestic) banana cream pie. Be inventive and surprise us!

Late in February volunteers will be calling people to invite them to attend and participate in the auction. You can make their work easier by calling soon, leaving your name on the message phone (916) 965-6851, and pledging to bring something. ■

Women's Chorus Will Hold Auction at Lambda

A one-hour tax service appointment, a numerology consultation, a plant from Mengalis Florist in Davis, amethyst jewelry, a massage, and a chance to get your teeth cleaned are just some of the items up for bid at the upcoming Silent Auction Social. The auction will be held on Saturday, Feb. 24 from 8-11 p.m. at the Lambda Center, 1931 L St. Bring a unique item or service to auction, or just come to bid as well as enjoy the entertainment and food provided. Admission is free.

The purpose of the auction is to raise funds to help send the Chorus to Vancouver Gay Games. Other upcoming fundraisers include a 50s dance in March, a Movie Night in April, and a gambling night in May. For more information: Dorothy, 757-2189. ■

RCDC Wants to Know Your Opinions

The River City Democratic Club will hold an open forum on Sat., March 3, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at The Partners (new name: Attic Feed & Fuel), corner of 24th St. and 2nd Ave. near DMV. Lunch will be served at no charge to all who attend.

RCDC is presenting the forum, called "Talk With Us," to solicit a variety of opinions from a wide spectrum of the gay and lesbian community on the club's role in the community and its future activities. "You don't have to be a member of RCDC to attend this forum," said Karl Greene, club president. "In fact, we encourage everyone, especially women, to come and speak his/her mind."

The River City Democratic Club is the only gay and lesbian group in the Sacramento area specifically organized for political action. "Our purpose is to improve the lives of gays and lesbians through participation in the Democratic Party," said Greene. For information, MGW readers may call Greene at 927-2029. ■

MGW ORGANIZATIONS

Gay Center

- **LAMBDA COMMUNITY CENTER**—1931 L St. At 20th
Daily: 10 am — 6 pm
Mon/Tues: 10 am — 9 pm
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Media

- **MGW NEWS PAPER**—1725 L St., 95814, 441-NEWS (9.5, weekdays).
- **BEING GAY TODAY**—Lesbian/Gay video magazine, cable channel 47, M 10-11pm, reshown TU 5-6pm & W 12-1pm, 481-7317.
- **PSSN NEWSLETTER**—Box 189306, 95818, Arturo Jackson, 447-9925.

Political/Legal

- **ASSEMBLYMAN LLOYD CONNELLY**—2705 'K' St., Ste. 6, 95816, Alison Anderson is liaison, 443-1183.
- **ASSEMBLYMAN PHIL ISENBERG**—1215 15th St., Ste. 102, 95814, Connie Damant is liaison, 324-4677.
- **CAL. CAPITOL POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE**—(CAPPAC) Demo./Rep. 1008 10th St. #255, 95814, 736-2722.
- **CONCERNED REPUBLICANS**—Sacramento Log Cabin, John Madrid 368-0341.
- **HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**—2131 Capitol Ave., Suite 206, 95816, 4th Wed., 6:30pm, City Hall 444-6903.
- **LOBBY FOR INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM & EQUALITY**—(LIFE) Rand Martin, 926 J St. #1020, 95814.
- **RIVER CITY DEMOCRATIC CLUB**—Box 161958, 95816, 3rd Mon., Lambda Community Center, 1931 L St. Ken Topper, 424-5254(msg).

Youth

- **CALIFORNIA RUNAWAY HOTLINE**—1-800-843-5200.
- **YOUTH CRISIS LINE**—Mon-Fri, 3-9pm EST 1-800-221-7044, NQTF, 80 5th Ave., NY 1001.
- **YOUTH GROUP**—Fri 5:45-6:45pm for young people, Lambda Center, 1931 L St., 442-0185.

Religion

- **AFFIRMATION**—United Methodists for Lesbian and Gay Concerns, Ellie, Jeanne, 489-2340.
- **CONFERENCE FOR CATHOLIC LESBIANS**—meets 1st Sat. evening, Kathleen 362-4133.
- **CONGREGATION SHA'AR ZAHAV**—220 Danvers St., San Francisco, 94114, (415) 861-6932.
- **DIGNITY**—Box 161765, 95816, (Catholic), Mass & meeting, 2nd Sun., 3pm, St. Francis Chapel, 26th & 'K', 441-0427(msg).

- **RIVER CITY METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH**—2741-34th St. Worship services Sun. 9am, 11am and 6pm. TV Ministry, Ch 63 Sun., 7pm. 454-4762, Rev. Elder Freda Smith.
- **METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF STOCKTON**—Meets at 2737 Pacific Ave. (Unitarian Church), at 6pm Sun. Box 8323, Stockton, 95208, (209) 465-3944.
- **LUTHERANS CONCERNED/SA**—4th Sun. Kevin S. Braaten-Moen, 739-0607.
- **UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO**—Gay and Lesbian Support Group, 2425 Sierra Blvd. (916) 483-9283.
- **S.D.A.**—Box 3840, Los Angeles, 90078, (213) 876-2076.
- **ZEN BUDDHIST GROUP**—Mon, 7pm, 925-0704, Brian.

- **Church of Our Redeemer**, 4641 Marconi Avenue, Fireside Room, 483-5691 or 456-9642.
- **CAPITAL CITY SQUARE DANCE CLUB**—Beginners: Tue., 6:30-8p.m., William Land School, 12th and V St. Plus 8-9:30pm, George Fox 447-2271.
- **DISCOVER SACRAMENTO HOTLINE**—449-5566.
- **FLAGS**—the Foothill Lesbian and Gay Society, monthly potluck 2nd Saturday of each month, Write P.O. Box 4982, Auburn 95604.
- **FREE BBS SERVICES**—Computer service for men, 2620 Hazel Ave., F.O. 95628 Acropolis.....967-5817 Parthenon.....443-8851, 927-2702 24 HOUR—300/1200/2400 baud Questions regarding equipment needs or utilization of the systems should be directed to Will Bennett at 966-5678(voice).
- **GAY & LESBIAN UNIVERSITY OF CALIF. EMPLOYEES**—John Bennett, 457-3634.
- **GAY FATHERS OF SAC**—2nd Sun. potluck/discussion, 456-3237.
- **GAYS OF YOLO COUNTY (GOYC)**—P.O. Box 62, Woodland 95695, Bud 1-662-5452.
- **G.G.N.I.E.**—Box 160636, 95816, 1st Tue., Faces, 7:30pm. Last Tues., Bd. Mtg. 447-0345, 927-9540.
- **LANDLORD/TENANT PROBLEMS**—Human Rights/Fair Housing Commission's Landlord-tenant line, 444-0178, 2131 Capitol Ave, Ste. 206.
- **LAMBDA COMMUNITY FUND**—Box 163654, 95816, Jerry 381-3115, 442-0185.
- **NATIONAL GAY & LESBIAN CRISISLINE**—1-800-SOS-GAYS or 1-800-767-4297.
- **N.O.W.**—Third Wed each month, 7-9pm, Clunie Center, 601 Alhambra Blvd. Free childcare, 443-3470.
- **NUDE EXCHANGE (NTE)**, Box 1624, No. Hinds, 95660.
- **OUR RIVER CITY FAMILY**, Sonny, John, 925-4667.
- **OUTDOOR ADVENTURES**—of Sac., Monthly potluck meeting, 1st Wed. Stan 441-3285.
- **PARENTS & FRIENDS OF LESBIANS & GAYS**—555 Vallombrosa, #73, Chico, 3rd Sun., 1pm, 891-5718.
- **PARENTS & FRIENDS OF LESBIANS & GAYS**—St. Marks United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Marks Wy., Sac. 3rd Tues., 7:30pm, Merrill Follansbee, 444-9510 or Box 2163, West Sac., 95691.
- **PEOPLE TOGETHER**—spiritual, social support group for HIV positive, ARC/AIDS, and any other catastrophic diseases, including relatives, lovers, friends; meets every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., 815 W St. Dan O'Shaughnessy, MCC, 454-4762.
- **PET LOSS**—752-4200.
- **PILLARS**—Social group, alternating Friday 6:30pm, 455-1771.
- **PRIME 8's**—Advanced Square Dancing Club, Mon 7-9pm, Joseph's Town and Country Inn.
- **RIVER CITY BOWLERS**—6pm Southbowl, Sun., Paul Schlerenberg — 927-9431.

Student

These student groups usually get together when classes are in session.

- **GAYS & LESBIANS AT ARC**—Thur 11am Dr. Johns. 484-8340.
- **CHICO STATE GAY/LESBIAN UNION**—CSU Chico, 95926.
- **GAYS & LESBIAN ALLIANCE OF SAC STATE**—(G.L.A.S.) CSUS, 6000 J St., Box 33, 95819, Thu. 8-9:30pm, Gwyn 485-4531.
- **BISEXUALS, GAYS & LESBIANS AT DAVIS**—433 Russell Blvd., Davis, 95616, 1st, 3rd Weds. 7-8pm., rep group 8:15, Events tape 753-2090.

Miscellaneous

- **AIDS FOUNDATION**—1900 K St., Suite 201, AIDS info., referrals, education, counseling, 448-AIDS.
- **ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS (ACA)**—Sat. 12:30-2pm. No smoking 2741 34th (MCC Church) 381-2175.
- **AL-ANON GAY FOCUS-OPEN MEETINGS**
Sunday, 6:30-8:30pm, Unitarian Church, 2425 Sierra Blvd., Rm. 6, (near Howe & Fair Oaks), Steve S. 443-6332.
Wednesday, 6-7:30pm, MCC, 2741 34th St., Claudia 441-6227.
Saturday, 12noon-1:30pm, Unitary Life Enrichment Center, 1418 K St., Randy N. 372-8719.
- **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**—McKinley Park Group, Room A, Tues 8pm, 601 Alhambra Blvd. 454-1100.
- **Lambda Group**, St. Joseph's Hall, S. Church & Chapel St., Grass Valley, Tues, 7pm., Non-smoking.
North Hall Group: MCC, 2741-34th St. Mon. 8pm; Tue. 6pm - Women; Wed. 6pm and 8pm - no smoking; Thu. 8pm; Fri. 8pm and 10pm; Sat. 8pm; Sun. 6pm - Men's and 8pm.
- **BARBARY COAST BOATING CLUB**—Sac Delta, SF Bay, 847 Oak St., San Francisco 94117, (415) 255-1049 or (916) 972-9317.
- **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**—For parents and adult siblings of persons who have died of ARC or AIDS, Thursdays 7pm, Lutheran

- **SACRAMENTO AID TO AIDS**—Needs volunteers in fundraising for Hand-to-Hand Project, Joe P. Garrett, P.O. Box 255773, Sac 95865, 929-3417.
- **SAC ATHLETIC GAMES ASSOC.**—(SAGA III Team Sacramento) Board meeting quarterly, 1st Thurs. 7pm, 443-6440, COORDINATORS:
Women's Sports 443-6432
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Marathon 927-9157
Physique 427-2688 or 443-6440
Powerlifting (m/w) 624-0166
Racquetball (m/w) 457-4943
Soccer 446-6870
Women's Soccer 444-5868
Softball (w) 929-2873
Softball (m) 451-5996
Swimming (w) 454-3142
Swimming (m) 442-4340
Tennis (m/w) 456-6013/386-2127
Track & Field (m/w) 455-0986
Triathlon (m/w) 381-3380
Volleyball (w) 487-4155
Volleyball (m) 442-4641
Wrestling (m) 451-5152
- **QUAD**—Bisexual Family-Oriented Outdoor Recreation & Social Group, Box 660664, 95866, 927-0418 Cliff, Renee.
- **SPEAKERS BUREAU**—Paulette Jacobson 441-5514.
- **SAC MEN'S CHORUS**—Box 188726, 95818, 485-7960.
- **SAC AREA EDUCATORS**—monthly potluck, Tom Harp 456-6673, Frank Lawler, 485-7960.
- **SAN JOAQUIN AIDS FOUNDATION**—4410 North Pershing Ave, Suite C-5, Stockton, 95207, (209) 476-8533.
- **VALLEY KNIGHTS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, INC.**—Box 8163, 95818, 455-6540.
- **YOLO HOSPICE OUTREACH OFFICE**—110 6th St., Broderick, 95605, Judy Pressmar 758-5566, 372-5863, 1-666-3774.

- **EL DORADO WOMEN'S CENTER**—3133 Gilmore Street, Placerville, 95667, 626-1450 or 626-1131.
- **FOOTHILLS ALTERNATIVE WOMEN'S NEWSLETTER**—(FAWN) Nevada, Placer, & El Dorado Co. (916) 272-6544 or (916) 265-9312.
- **FREE WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP**—every Wed. 7-8:30pm, Chemical Dependency Center, 1507 21st Street, Ste. 100, Facilitator Claudia Boyd, 448-2951.
- **LEATHER AND LACE**—Motorcycle Club, Box 163044, 95816, 452-7467.
- **LESBIAN RIGHTS PROJECT**—1370 Mission St., SF 94103, Public interest law firm.
- **LESBIAN CRISIS LINE**—M-F 3-9 p.m. EST, 1-800-221-7044.
- **NAT'L ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN**—Box 1404, 95807.
- **NOW LESBIAN RIGHTS TASK FORCE**—331-5036, Kay, Lorraine.
- **SAC PULSE**—Women's Card Group, Gloria 368-1051.
- **SAC AREA CAREER WOMEN'S NETWORK**—Dinner Meetings 3rd Fri. 6:30-9:30, 486-8985.
- **SAC TRADESWOMEN**—Supportive network of women in non-traditional work. Meets 2nd Fri., 456-5555.
- **SAC WOMEN'S CENTER**—2306 J St., #200, 441-4207.
- **SAC WOMEN'S CHORUS**—Mon. 6-8pm, Martie, 1-756-5658, 1-753-6022.
- **SOLANO COUNTY GAY INFO LINE**—Women Preferring Women, Vacaville 707/448-1010, 707/449-0550 Dathy, Box 9, Vacaville 95686.
- **SNOW WHITE CHAMPAGNE BALL**—December party for women. To be on mailing list write Linda Birner, 1725 L Street, 95814.
- **SPOKES WOMYN CYCLING CLUB**—Box 162784, 95816 447-6270/441-0967.
- **WOMEN'S RAP GROUP AND SOCIAL**—Mon., 7-9pm Lambda Center, 1931 L Street, 381-5569.
- **WOMEN'S HEALTH RESOURCE**—of Sutter Community Hospital, 733-3000.
- **WOMEN'S STRESS ALTERNATIVES**—448-2951.
- **YWCA**—1122-17th St., 95814, 442-4741.

- **IF THE SHOE FITS**—Box 2030, Cameron Park, 95682, El Dorado Lesbian/Gay Network, 622-8690.

Social

- **BOUND & DETERMINED**—Box 5014, 95817, Woman-to-woman S/M support group.
- **CAMPING WOMEN**—Sac Chapter, Gail 689-9326, Camille 662-0460, Box 13261, 95813.
- **CSUS WOMEN'S CENTER**—6000 J St., 95819, 278-7388.
- **DAVIS WOMEN'S READING CIRCLE**—Last Thurs., Christine (916) 758-2875.

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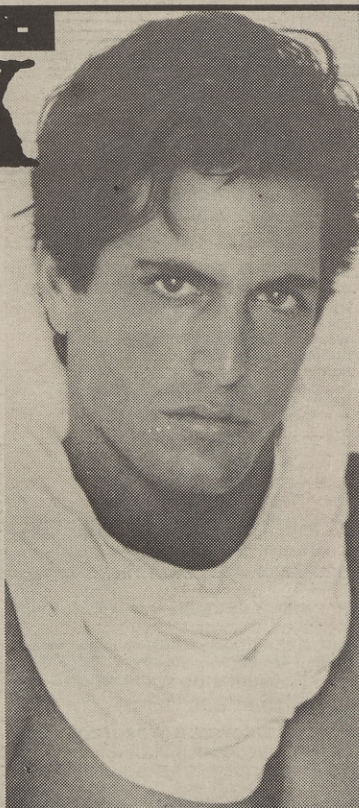
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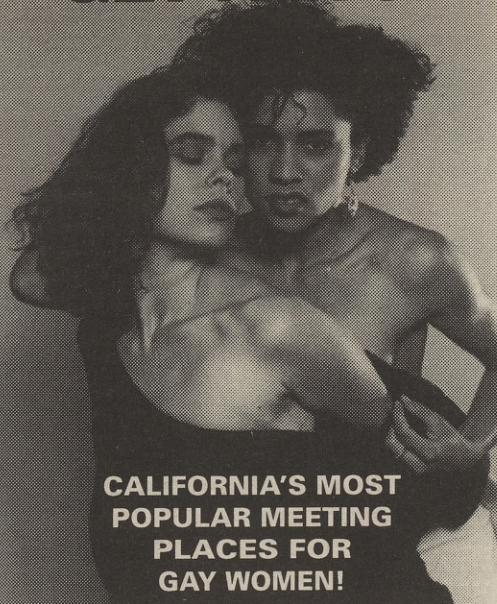
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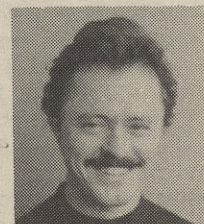
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For phone numbers and details on events mentioned in this column, check the calendar and organization information in the back of the paper.

What do you think of our new **Mom's Meet Market**? Now there's something for everyone! Keep the main part of **MGW** on the coffee table and read the insert in private! And why not place a **FREE** ad in the personals? Find the person of your dreams on us !!! • Please stay tuned and volunteer to take part in the demonstration against your enemy and mine **Lou Sheldon**. Monitors, medical people, and lawyers are some of the individuals needed. Maybe we should add Assemblyman **Gil Ferguson** to the hit list • All former audience members are anxiously awaiting the second production of the **Lambda Players**! Why not be part of this group as it makes history at the Lambda Center. Auditions for the next show are February 17. Both women and men are needed • There's still time to attend the **SACWN Sweetheart Dance** on February 17. This event for women takes place at Capitol Plaza on 8th Street near K. Maybe it should be called **Sorority Hall** for this extravaganza! • **Pillars** offers dinner, dancing and the **Dating Game** at the February 23 meeting. Is anyone video taping this? • The gang in Oak Park continues its monthly get-togethers. The group with more headings than members (almost) met recently at **Kevin Choe & Ed Walker's** warm, inviting home. Ed confessed that he sometimes takes valium to counteract Kevin's bubbly personality! In any case, do ask Kevin what he thinks about today's freeway drivers. You'll never go on the road again. And by the way the gang meets at my place in March • **Arsenio Hall** recently interviewed **Boy George** on his late night talk show. During the discussion George discussed how his music deals with relationships no matter what the person's orientation. He also rebuffed a question about a relationship with his former drummer. A few nights later, Hall speculated about America's possible reaction to the new gay soap opera. You know, there may be television worth staying up for after all • Congratulations to long time friends, **Pete Walsh** and **Jim Fitzpatrick** celebrating ten years (a decade!) together this month. They attribute their success to hard work and long commutes • The **Women's Rap Group** continues its tradition on Mondays at the Lambda Community Center. The always popular

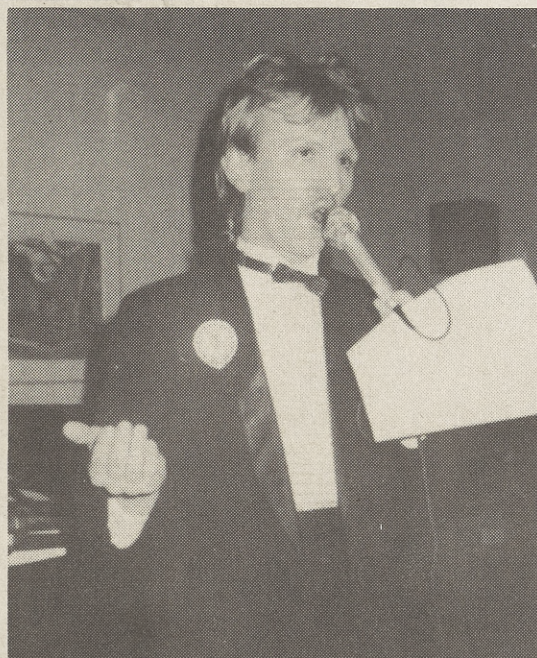
topic "**Coming Out Stories**" is slated for the February 19 meeting • Happy Birthday wishes to **Liz Smith** of **Valentis**, **Edie Cartwright**, **Eloy Garcia**, **MGW's "Pica"**, leading first parents: **Merrill Follansbee** of **PFLAG** and **Gloria Sloan** who is Jerry's mom both celebrate 73 years in February • The **Lite Rail Gallery** presents "The Year of the Horse," a two artist exhibition featuring **Carl Vosburgh Miller** and **Carl Chiara**. Mark February 22 on your calendar to attend an evening reception. The exhibit is on display throughout February • Thinking ahead? Now is the time to volunteer for the **KVIE Channel 6 Auction**. This fun, annual event starts on May 31 and runs for ten days • The bar scene continues with many special events. **FACES** is still the ultimate dance bar. On a recent Monday night, the friendly crowd honed a variety of line and partner dances ... The **Buffalo Club** with its ever changing interior continues with the familiar **Stampede** on Thursday nights from 7-10 p.m. ... **Leesha Diver** performs at the **Town House** upstairs in the cabaret on Fridays and Saturdays through February ... There's charity **Bingo** every third Wednesday at the **Mercantile** ... **Joseph's Town & Country** is remodeling but has many functions taking place on their second level. Also don't miss their 2-for-1 Tuesday night special in the restaurant ... The **Wreck Room** continues to offer a warm welcoming environment ... And **Partners Restaurant** is now called the **Attic Feed & Fuel**. Stay tuned for more details • Rob-

by **Becker's PAARC** group continues to perform and raise funds for charity. The variety of folks involved in this effort is quite commendable. Never before has our community pulled together so well. A recent show at the **Town House** attracted a standing room only crowd. Unfortunately the crowd did thin out slightly as the evening ran a bit long (2½ hours) I can't impress enough that any show should leave the audience wanting more. Such restraints will hopefully insure the future of many more **PAARC** productions • **SAF's Healthy Living Series** offers an educational workshop for women on February 26 with a fun title. **Lesbians Loving Latex** will

discuss and explore the impact of **HIV** • **SAF's Heart to Heart** for gay and bi-sexual men continues on Tuesdays with "The Relationship Continuum" and "Understanding Co-Dependency." And hurry to the next **Buddy Connection/90** on February 16 • A recent workshop at the **Lambda Center**, sponsored by the **Stop AIDS Project**, was well attended. Approximately 40 people participated in the workshop designed by **Marty McCoombs** of **Stop AIDS Los Angeles**. The main focus of the group was long-term coping needs of gay men in the **AIDS** crisis • My dear comrade, the other columnist **Dan Palomino** aka: **Louella Parsons** went on a car buying spree. "Poor" **Louella** does have

extravagant tastes as she bought not one but two automobiles. If there are no complications, she (and **Sister Sestak**) will own them free and clear by 1996! • Until March, stand tall and make a difference ... —John ■

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Performing Artists for AIDS-Related Charities Director **Robby Becker** put together an incredibly moving and enjoyable show at the **Town House**. After expenses were paid, **MCC's AIDS Outreach Program** was \$180 richer.



Lady Diana gave the evening a very special ending by singing the **Lord's Prayer** a cappella. She is one of the many talented performers who donate their time and talents.

Robby Out Does Himself Again!



Photos by **Sonya Cox**

The **PAARC CLOGGERS** brought quite a bit of rowdiness to the **Town House**. Dancers **David Granger**, **Jim Stubbs**, **Sonya Cox**, and **Dale Petros** were the noisiest.

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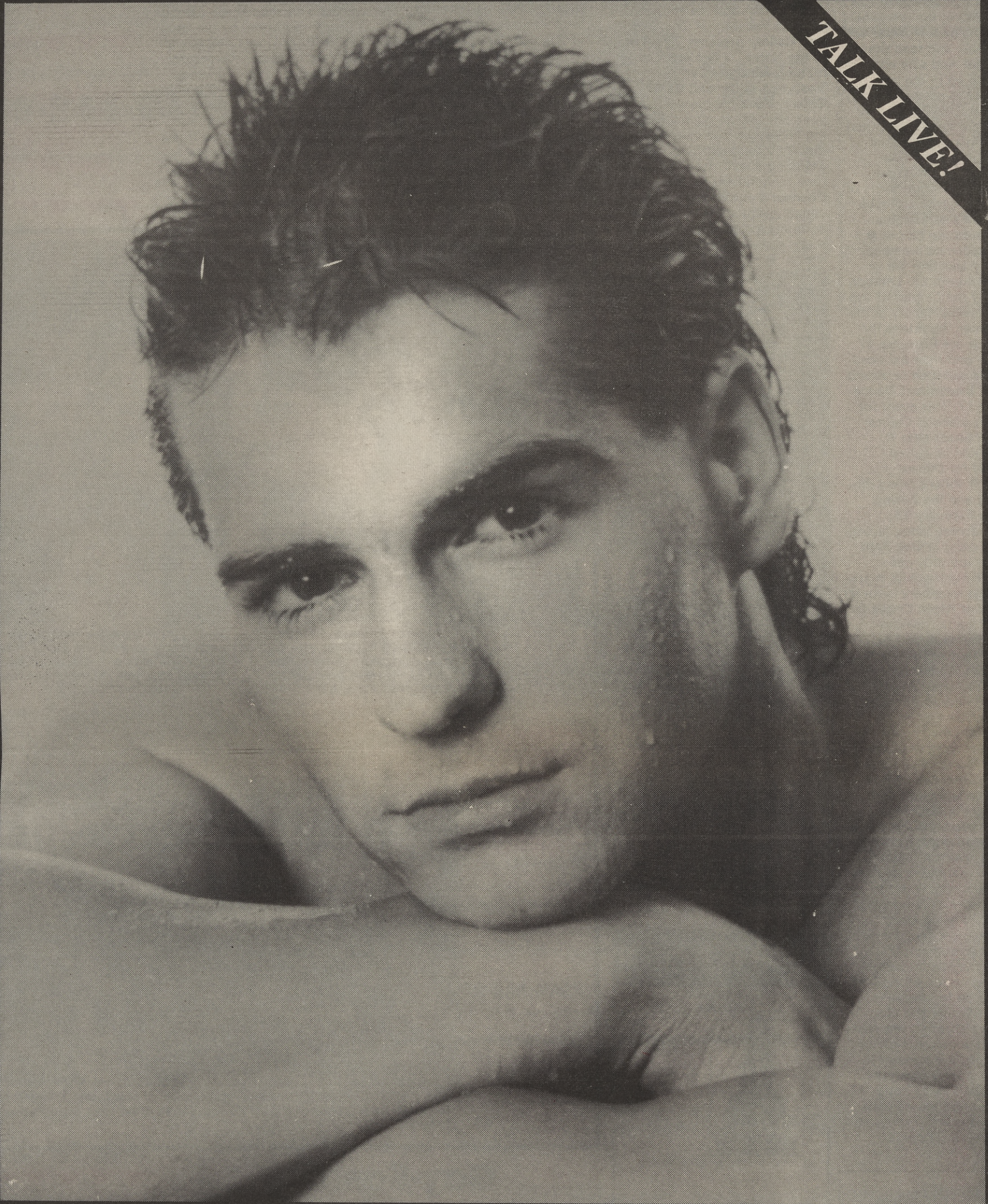
- 1) If you need medical help, call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room or clinic.
 - 2) Be alert, report what happened to the police.
 - 3) Include a description of your attackers.
 - 4) Notice what they say.
 - 5) Remember names, distinctive marks, hair or clothing.
 - 6) Know where the attack took place.
 - 7) Notice the time.
 - 8) If you can, notice the car or a license number.
 - 9) When you contact the police, know what agency you are talking to. Police Department (blue uniform) work in city proper, Sheriff's Department (green uniform) work in county, Highway Patrol (Khaki or beige uniform) work freeways, highways, rest stops and truck stops.
- If you are reporting and incident or are arrested, you should:
- 1) Note the badge number and name of the officer.
 - 2) Note the number of the patrol car.
 - 3) Where you are.
 - 4) The time and date.
 - 5) Observe where you are taken and if you are charged with anything.
 - 6) Note what is said and if you are treated in a rude manner or if derogatory comments are directed at you, and if physical force is used.
 - 7) Report these incidents! Call the internal affairs office of the Agencies involved.
 - 8) Make sure a report is taken.
 - 9) Follow through!
 - 10) Call Lambda for the Report at 442-0185.
 - 11) Call MGW at 441-6397. ■

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